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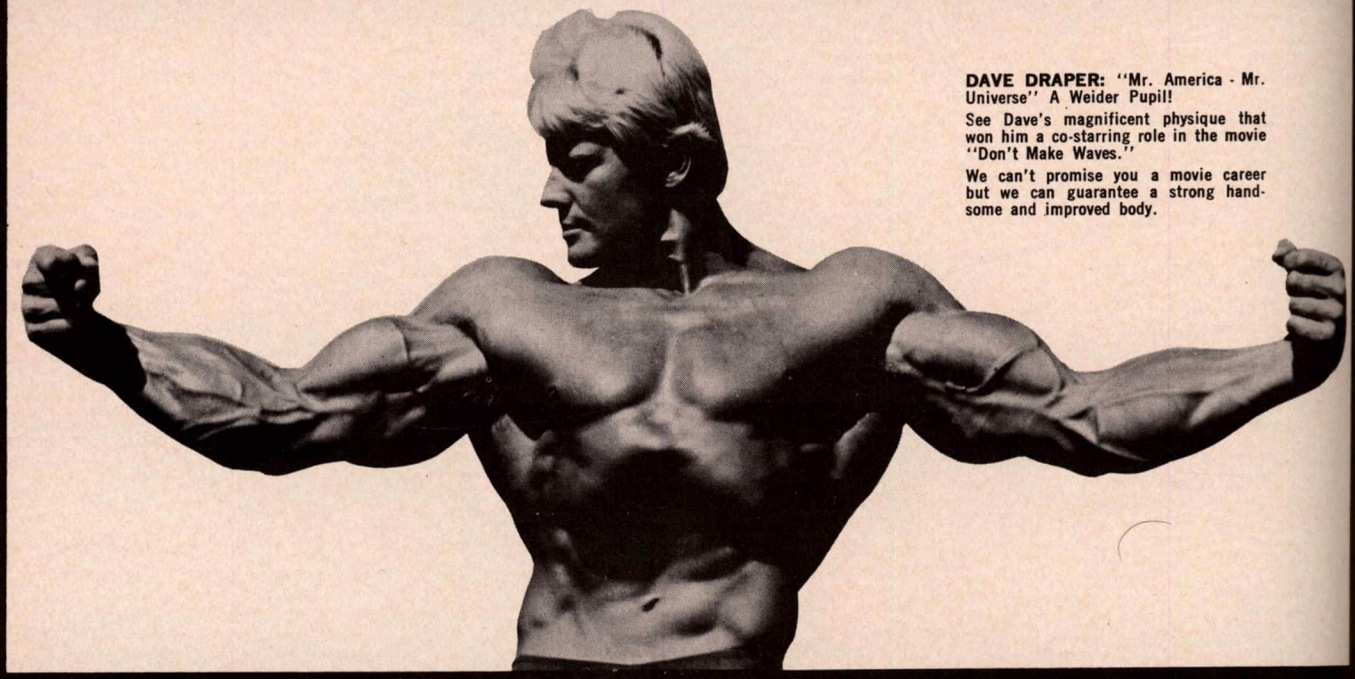

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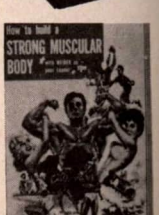

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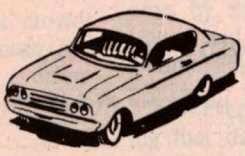

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Speaks Out !!!

FLEISCHER

THE customers are hollering. They don't like the New York rule under which a boxer who has been decked thrice in one round is an automatic and instantaneous loser.

The rule was thrown into the foreground by the fight in which Bob Foster stopped Frankie DePaula in the first round in New York's Garden, and the crowd of 16,129, which had turned $189,920 into the box office, got 2 minutes, 17 seconds of action for its money.

The fans didn't squawk. Fight crowds are that way. They pay their money and they know they are involved in a calculated risk. It may last 15 seconds, it may go 15 rounds.

However, fights of the 2-minute type are not what you might call boosts for boxing.

In any event, some 200 of the customers who got only 2 minutes, 17 seconds of fighting have written to me, and they blame the New York Commission's three knockdown rule, especially if it be invoked in a championship contest.

DePaula's three trips to the canvas involved no appreciable injury. Not that it could be discerned with the naked eye. Only DePaula knows how much he was hurt, and how much, even as a loser, he was the beneficiary of the rule which excused him after the third decking.

The trouble is that there is a drift away from the referee. There is a strong tendency to relieve him of items of his authority, and factors in his judgment.

The referee and not the rule is the best judge of a competing boxer's physical and mental condition.

It is well and good for the ringside doctor to be available for expert advice and service.

But, if a fight is to be stopped, the referee, by tradition, should be the man to stop it, and it is so provided in most of the Commission rules.

However, behind the rules we find a feeling that the referee may be swayed too strongly by the crowd, or even the promotion, and will let an injured or bady lacerated boxer go on too long.

A fatality is a terrible thing when it happens in a ring, or later on as a result of ring injury.

The death of Benny Paret on April 3, 1962, ten days after his loss of the world welterweight championship to Emile Griffith in the 12th round in New York's Garden, had a profound effect on boxing in that state.

It affected legislative attitudes in the New York State Senate and Assembly. And it affected the thinking of the New York Commission of the time, as it still affects that body of today, headed by Eddie Dooley.

The chief factor in this thinking is this: the fight isn't the big thing. It is the safety and condition of the fighters.

If, in the interest of wise caution, a fighter who has hit the canvas thrice in one round is excused for the night, the loser knew what he was getting into when he signed for the contest.

DePaula knew that if he were knocked down three times in any period of three minutes he would be sent to his dressing room.

DePaula accepted this condition, as did Foster, who, as world champion, had much more to lose if the rule were invoked against him.

It may be that now and then the three knockdown rule will appear to become a severe hardship on the loser, and a derogation of the paying customer's right to get a fair return for his money.

However, let us give the matter some thought. Is the paying guest justified in asking a man who has been decked thrice within a few minutes to continue to take a beating?

Does the patron pay for the right to see the boxers risk life and limb? Is it not fair to believe that a man knocked down thrice in a round has been beaten?

It is conceivable that the right of the referee to stop a fight should be supported in bringing the three knockdown rule into force.

Let us say that after a fighter has been decked thrice it would be the prerogative of the referee to say whether the rule shall be invoked, or the thrice-decked fighter be entitled to the chance to go on, with the referee's caution completely on the alert.

It seems to me that commissions which have the three knockdown rule might call in press and other experts to discuss the regulation.

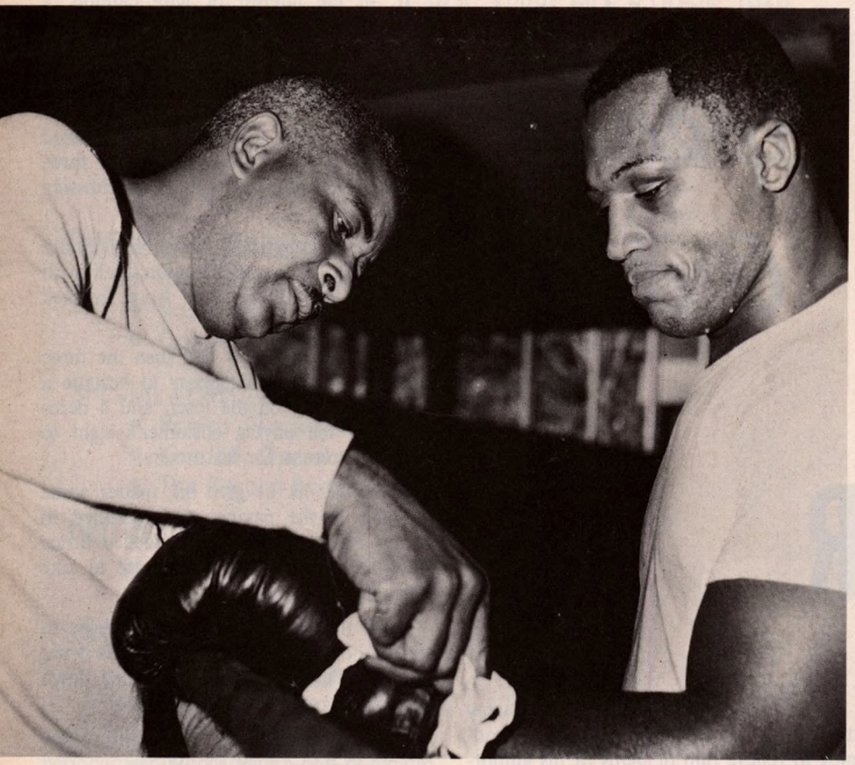
Also to be talked over is the suggestion that surgical aid to fighters suffering from cut eyes and other facial lacerations be given suture help between rounds. Miami Beach is doing that.

In New York, Commissioner Dooley says he is open to conviction. His first thought is that a doctor sewing up an eye cut between rounds might lead to the charge that boxing has become brutal.

In this matter, again, we are confronted with the fact that the fighter's health and condition deserve primary consideration.

Often a boxer who is in the lead will be forced to accept a TKO defeat. But a fighter's eyes are more important than the fight itself.

TRAINERS TAKE OVER!!!!



Trainer-manager Yancey Durham adjusts the gloves of his charge, Joe Frazier, recognized as heavyweight king in six states. Frazier is actually "owned" by Cloverlay Inc., a Philadelphia-based syndicate.

Billy Gibson was the famous manager of Benny Leonard, lightweight boss from 1917 until his retirement in 1925, and Gene Tunney, who ruled the heavyweights from 1926 until he called it quits after defeating Tom Heeney in 1928.

By NAT LOUBET

TIME was when the leading managers of boxers dominated the business. Few fighters handled their own affairs, and the trainers were behind the scenes, rarely mentioned, and rarely if ever exploited.

There were men of the stripe and skill of William A. Brady, who managed both Jim Corbett and Jim Jeffries at different times, and in later years was a standout theatrical manager in New York.

There was the much publicized Jack Kearns, who piloted Jack Dempsey to the world heavyweight title.

There was Billy Gibson, who managed Benny Leonard as the lightweight king, and later on was Gene Tunney's agent.

There were John Roxborough and Julian Black, with Jack Blackburn in the training background, in Joe Louis's rise.

There was Al Herford behind Joe Gans, there were managerial prototypes innumerable as boxing moved into the Tex Rickard Era and the Million Dollar Gate.

Now there is a new breed, the man who is manager, trainer, plotter of ring generalship, and general factotum.

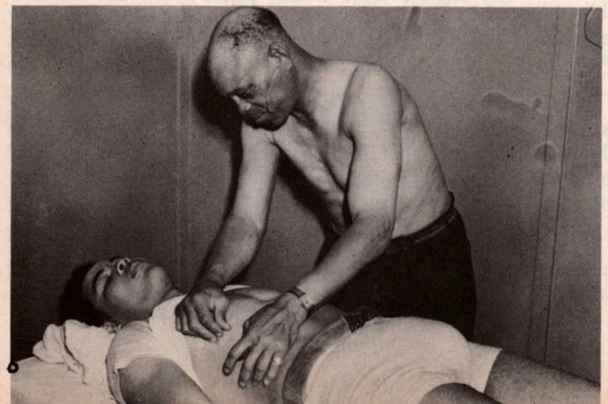
This 1969 type appears to be intent on pushing the old 33 percenters out of the business.

The new breed is making giant advances in the winning of the highest honors, and the achievement of the top pay.

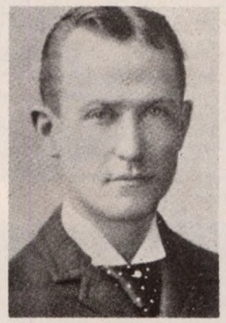
Among these masters of versatility are Angelo Dundee, who when Cassius Clay got into trouble shifted to Jimmy Ellis, whom he has piloted into high authority among the heavyweight comers.

Joe Frazier, whom The Ring rates No. 1 among these leading title aspirants, is trained and managed by Yancey Durham, who is answerable not only to the Olympian but to Cloverlay, Inc., the syndicate which "owns" Joe.

Jack Blackburn, trainer of Joe Louis for many years, works on the former heavyweight champion in this photo. John Roxborough and Julian Black were the co-managers of the Detroit Brown Bomber.



Angelo Curley (left) is the trainer-manager of middleweight Don Fullmer. Curley, based in Salt Lake City, is recognized as one of the best cut men in the business.



(Left) Jack Kearns piloted Jack Dempsey, Mickey Walker, Joey Maxim and Archie Moore. (Center) William A. Brady, a top theatrical figure, was manager of Jim Corbett and Jim Jeffries, heavyweight kings of long ago. (Right) Jack Hurley, another of the old school of managers. His current hope is heavyweight Boone Kirkman. Hurley was pilot of Billy Petrolle, the Fargo Express.

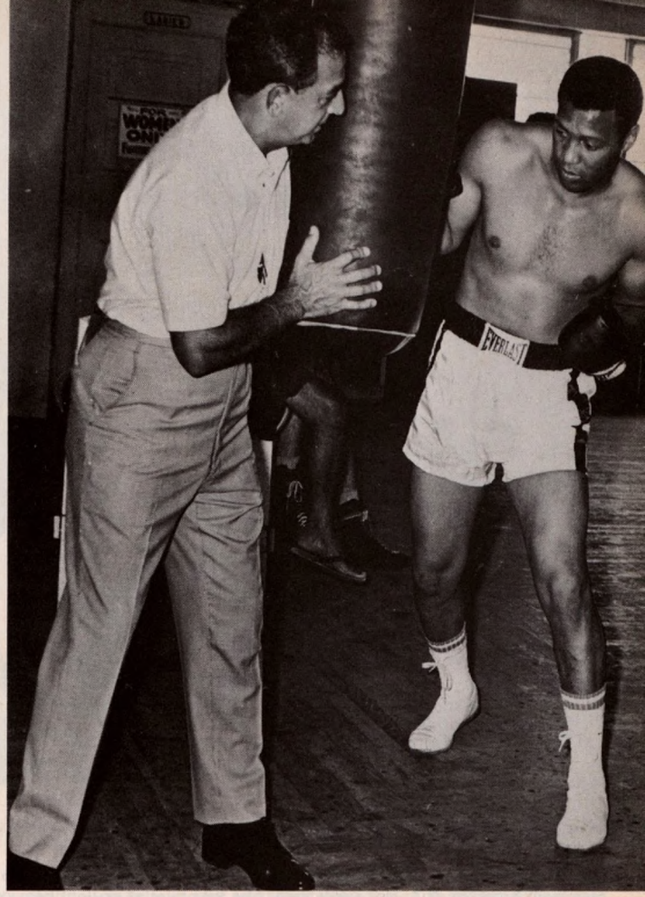
Bruno Amaduzzi, who represents world middleweight champion Nino Benvenuti, sort of fits into the new category.

Another prominent general manager is Gil Clancy, who runs the affairs of former middleweight champion Emile Griffith. Howie Albert is associated with the managing side of the enterprise.

Other trainer-managers of note are Pop Quarry, Jerry's dad, Jack McCoy, who had led Mando Ramos to the lightweight crown; Dick Saddler, in the Sonny Liston camp; Jack Rennie of the Lionel Rose bantam championship menage; and Ambrose Palmer of the Johnny Famechon connection.

Conceivably the standout member of the new breed is Angie Dundee, who is backed up, quietly and throughly behind the scenes, by his older brother Chris, who operates the club in Miami Beach, Fla.

The Black Muslims were pushing Angie out of the Cassius Clay situation when the heavyweight champion got into trouble by refusing to be drafted into the Army.



Angelo Dundee holds heavy bag for Jimmy Ellis, the WBA heavyweight champ. Angie, of course, was Cassius Clay's trainer, then took over Ellis after Clay got into his difficulties over the draft.

The Dundees spotted Ellis, who had been a Clay sparring partner, as a likely producer of lavish pay days, and possible championship succession.

A one punch knockout of Johnny Persol projected Ellis strongly into the limelight and before the experts had quite taken in the complete panorama, Jimmy was up there.

Before long Ellis was in the WBA Malitz heavyweight elimination tournament, and eventually Jimmy beat Jerry Quarry in the final of that competition and announced himself as the new heavyweight champion. This he is not. In any event, he will have to beat Frazier for the succession to Clay, if Cassius has to lose his laurels.

The Angie Dundee-Ellis combination is a real Svengali-Trilby affair.

Angie and Chris are master diagnosers of fistic action and effective counterblasts.

Angie plots the offensive and defensive maneuvers and makes the blueprint, and Ellis does exactly as he is instructed. This has proved a most effective system.

The Frazier situation is similar to that of the Ellis organization in some ways. But Yancey Durham conceivably does not have the power which Angie wields in his camp.

After Frazier had returned to Philadelphia from Tokyo in 1964 with the Olympic heavyweight championship Joe needed both cash and guidance.

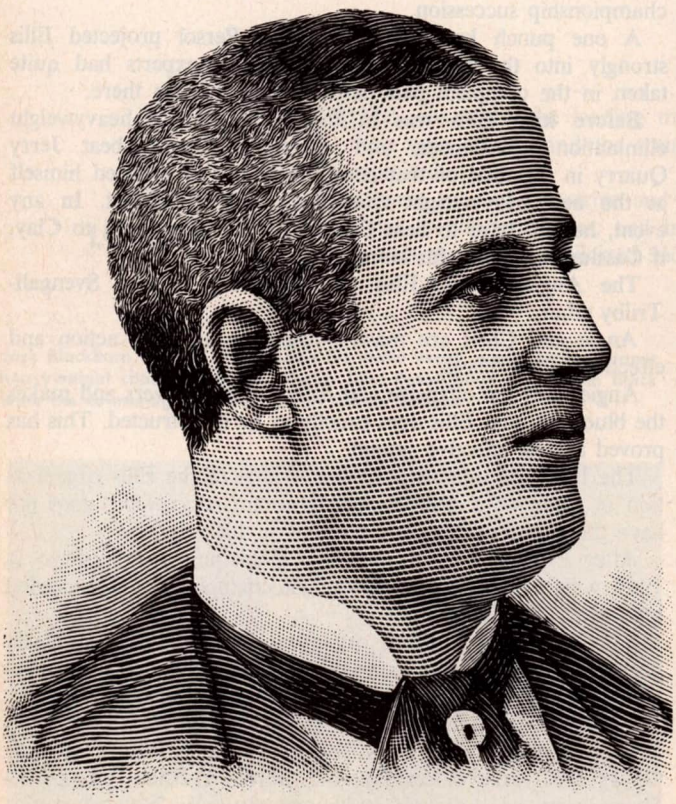
Some prominent citizens organized the Cloverlay syndicate, guaranteed Joe's living expenses, and supervised the technical job of converting a green amateur into a professional.

Among the better trainers working in Philadelphia was Yancey Durham, who was engaged in a losing effort with Gypsy Joe Harris. Cloverlay, Inc. moved Durham along with Frazier into its corporate body, and thus was initiated a syn-

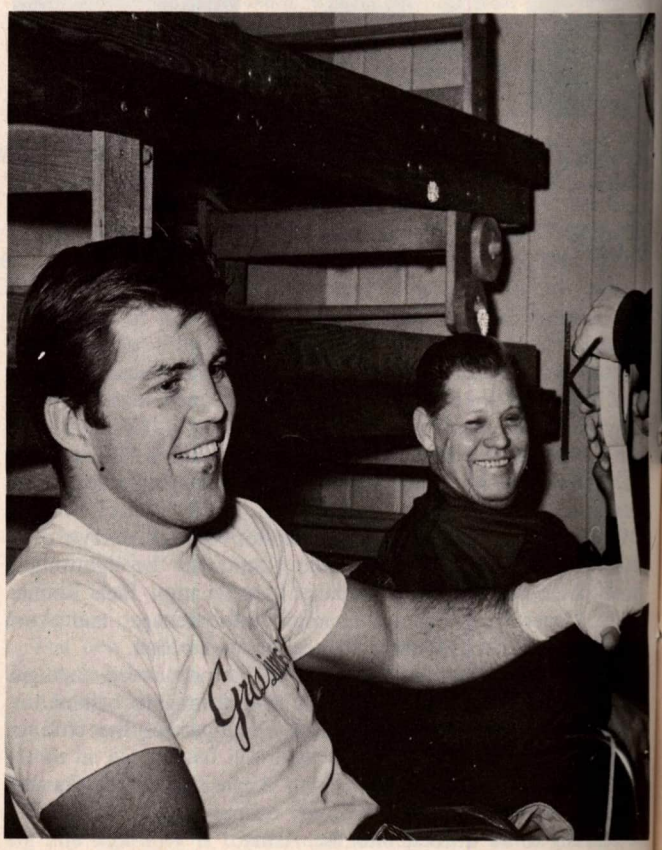
Cain Young watches his lightweight, Ismael Laguna affix his signature to a document. Young, a prominent Brooklyn, N.Y. real estate man, also was pilot of ex-light heavyweight boss Jose Torres.

Bantamweight titleholder Lionel Rose poses with his trainer-manager Jack Rennie, who has handled the champion since his early days.

Al Herford, the man behind Joe Gans, immortal lightweight champion of the early days of this century.



Jerry Quarry, recent conqueror of Buster Mathis and his father, Jack, who co-manages him, enjoy a good laugh.



dicate effort on a much larger scale than the one which had involved Clay until the Black Muslims took him over.

Cus D'Amato was a miracle man in the rise of Floyd Patterson, who twice held the heavyweight championship. Cus was the most dominant manager-trainer boxing yet has seen. But there was an eventual and not surprising falling out, with the result that Patterson now is his own pilot, his own trainer, his own factotum living with his own thinking, an almost hermit life. Divorced, remarried, Patterson spends most of his time in an isolated camp at Marlboro, N.Y.

A capable and prominent member of the trainer-manager cult is Angelo Curley, who runs the affairs of Don Fullmer.

A New Yorker by birth, a Metropolitan boxing fixture for many years, son of a onetime boxer, Curley is an outstanding trainer and a good business representative. He has settled in Salt Lake City. Curley's skills include high ability as a corner man, esepcially on cuts.

D'Amato now has some connection with Buster Mathis and the Jimmy Iselin effort.

Mathis started out under syndicate control but that body reportedly has been reduced to just two members.

That the trainer-manager group is growing fast does not, in itself, argue that it is always a beneficial combination. There are some such situations which have glaring flaws. For example, it is not always a good thing to have a father running his son's career.

Cus D'Amato, the gent who guided Floyd Patterson to the heavyweight throne. He was perhaps the most dominant trainer-manager of 'em all.

One manager who is virtually trainer, as well, and a professional father is Jack Hurley, who has been around for many years. Jack now is concentrating on the career of heavyweight Boone Kirkman, a very interesting fighter representing the Northwest.

Some of the managers are strictly in the managerial line. One is Mushky Salow, who runs the business of Bob Foster, the new light heavyweight champion. The trainer is Johnny Dunn.

Salow is a financial chance taker, a fact to which Foster owes his having beaten Dick Tiger for the title. It cost Bob and Mushky $100,000 to get the shot at Tiger, who was stopped in the fourth round.

Salow and Foster were a long time making the top. Salow was not rated one of the standout pilots, but there he is with a world champion, and the credit that goes with it, plus the money potential.

There are many disciples of the school which holds that the manager is the manager, and the trainer is the trainer, and never the twain shall combine.

These old fashioned men believe that a boxer today needs a managerial specialist more than ever, and the training function is quite secondary.

A member of this group is Doug Lord, manager of world welterweight champion Curtis Cokes, of Dallas, whose chief activities lie in the insurance business.

Dr. Marvin Goldberg, who manages Oscar Bonavena, is primarily an oculist.

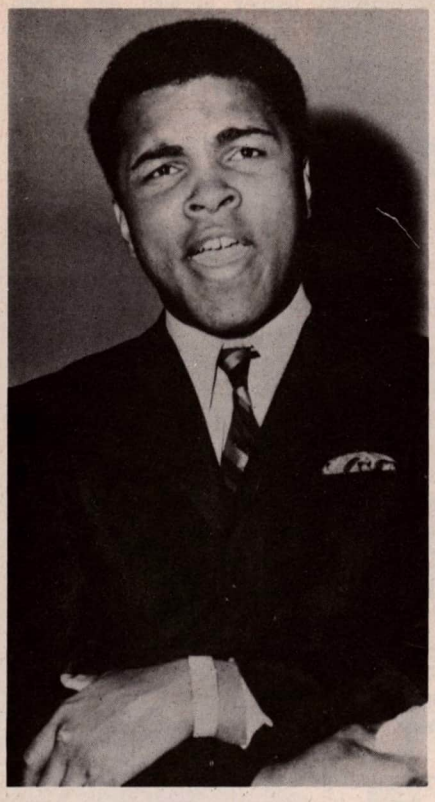
Cain Young, who managed Jose Torres before the former light heavy champion became inactive, is operating as Ismael Laguna's pilot in his spare time. He is in the real estate business in Brooklyn.

Irving Ungerman, who functions in the interest of George Chuvalo, is in the poultry business in Toronto.

Pilots who devote all of their time to managing one boxer are hard to find.

So we have this new breed growing, conceivably because a man devoting himself to single duties in these times of cheap dollars and high expenses is likely to have his troubles.

Bruno Amadúzzi (left) manager of middleweight king Nino Benvenuti, talks things over with promoter Chris Dundee on the sands of Miami Beach.



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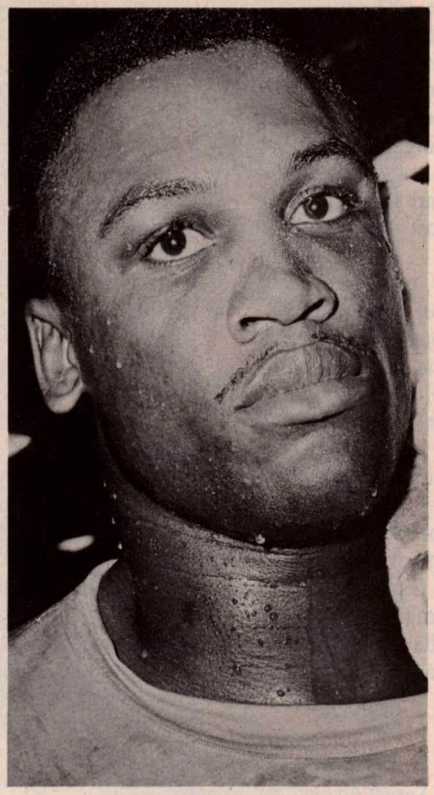


JOE FRAZIER

JIMMY ELLIS

CLAY SITUATION UNCHANGED, QUARRY STIRS UP HEAVIES

By DAN DANIEL

DEVELOPMENTS in the heavyweight situation have been forthright in the ring, and puzzling and complex in legal implications having to do with the long delayed case of Cassius Clay.

There has been an eager assumption in many places that when the Supreme Court sent the Clay appeal back to the lower Federal courts for examination of the weight of "surreptitious evidence" in both judge Joe Ingraham's original verdict of felony and five years in jail, and in the proceedings later on before the Federal Court of Appeals in Houston, there was a hint that the case would be quashed.

The Ring Magazine, which has stood alone in defense of the insistence that Clay still is the world champion, pending exhaustion of due process of law, finds no reasons for changing its policy and attitude.

The ring still recognizes Clay, otherwise known as Muhammad Ali, as the world title holder, and recognizes neither Joe Frazier nor Jimmy Ellis as an interim champion.

The Ring has found that "interim champions" mean nothing and that these designations create nothing but trouble, and anything but clarification.

The surprising action of the British Boxing Board of Control in shearing Clay of his title even before the Supreme Court decision is difficult to explain.

That the WBA voted Clay out of the championship and tried to hand it over to Ellis was to have been expected.

That the World Boxing Council, which suddenly has become an alleged world policy maker, acted against Clay also was not unexpected.

But the British Board had indicated its willingness to go along with The Ring and give Cassius his full say in the courts. Overnight came a shift in the London weather.

A statement to The Ring by Teddy Waltham, righthand man of J. Onslow Fane, British Board president, explained that the Board feared that the heavyweight title was stagnating.

The Board announced that it had set up Frazier as the No. 1 man, ready to fight the best available opponent, with an eventual meeting with Ellis.

Beating Quarry might make Joe the champion insofar as the BBBC is concerned. Here is the Waltham statement:

"We are, and always have been, members of the World Boxing Council.

"The decision to withdraw recognition of Clay as the Heavyweight Champion was not taken lightly, but we feel that we have been very patient and as there appears to be no definite date for the final Hearing of his appeal by the Supreme Court, quite clearly something had to be done.

"This Board has for some time past resisted approaches to declare the title vacant, but obviously the matter could not be allowed to drag on indefinitely, and the title permitted to stagnate.

"We have, therefore, decided to recognize a contest between Frazier and a suitable ranked opponent as being for the title, with the proviso that the winner must meet Ellis.

With Kind Regards, Yours Sincerely, Ted."

Careful study of the transcripts of the original Clay trial and the appeal finds occasional references to evidence which, it is emphasized, belongs to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

However, the nature of this evidence never is revealed. It is assumed that the FBI material was made available to the Supreme Court, which has been so zealous in its efforts to fight against bugging and wire tapping, even in the obvious effort to bring criminals to justice.

Study of the Federal court transcripts brings out one dominant fact: the court questioned Clay's right to claim exclusion from Selective Service as an ordained imam of the Mohammedan sect.

The Court also questioned the timing of the claim, which, it pointed out, came after Clay had been served with a draft notice.

It is expected that the Federal courts will examine the evidence with greater despatch than that which preceded the two trials in Houston.

Let it be noted that the Supreme Court did not recommend reduction of the sentence of five years in jail plus a fine of $10,000.

That the Supreme Court will get the case back from the Federal courts is most likely. Final action? Maybe in a year.

Let this be noted from a *New York Times* first page story about the Supreme Court's action:

"No convictions were reversed (in the Clay and Hoffa cases) by the Supreme Court and (the) decisions made it appear that defendants' rights to see Government eavesdrop transcripts were to be more restricted than the ruling on March 10 had seemed to say."

Clay has not appeared in competition since he stopped Zora Folley in New York in seven rounds on March 22, 1967.

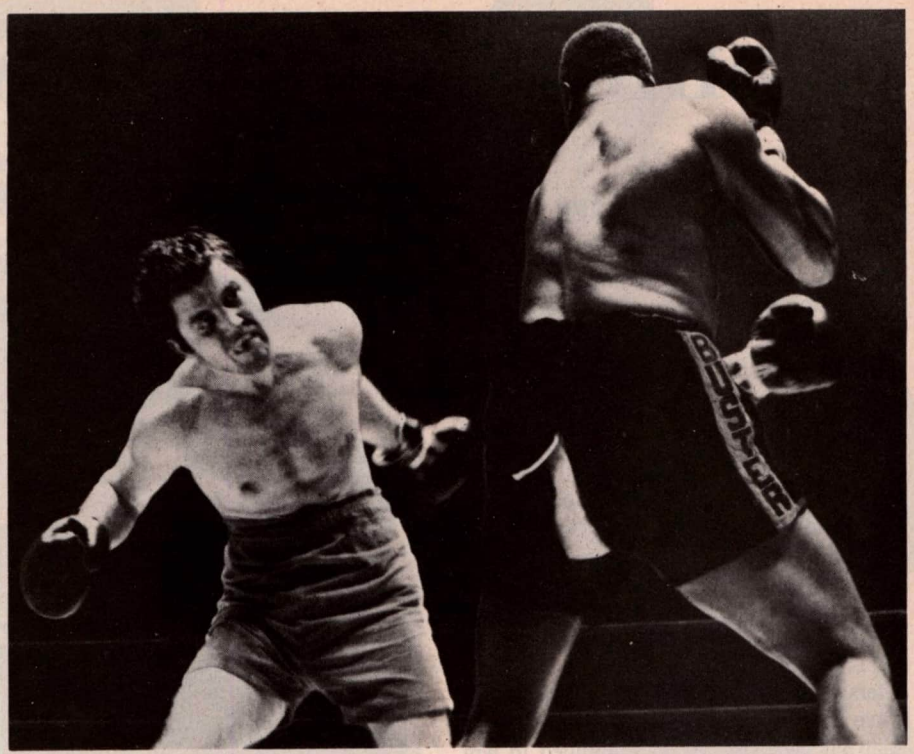
True, he has contributed to elements dictating his inactivity by refusing to join the Army.

However, the draft angle aside, the fact remains that heavyweight champions of the past set a precedent for Clay's long absence from the ring. Jack Dempsey had one fight, with Bill Brennan in 1920; one, with Georges Carpentier, in 1921; two fights, with Tom Gibbons and Luis Firpo, in 1923; and no action in 1924 and 1925. In 1926, he did not box until the Tunney battle in Philadelphia in September.

It is interesting that Eddie Dooley, chairman of the New York Commission, which had recognized Frazier as the new champion, greeted the Supreme Court decision with the announcement that the Olympian now could be regarded only as an interim title holder.

This, of course, is balderdash on a par with championship claims for Jimmy Ellis.

Events looking toward a Frazier-Ellis confrontation for the possible right to take over the world title, or to challenge Clay for it, appear to be moving with better speed.



Jerry Quarry is about to uncork a wicked left hook to the chest of big Buster during the fifth round of their 12-rounder at Madison Square Garden. Note the split in Mathis' trunks. Quarry, the underdog, won an easy victory.

That Buster Mathis would be able to establish himself as a contender, and discount his 11-round KO by Frazier, was dissipated by Buster's ineffectual appearance in a 12-rounder with Jerry Quarry in Madison Square Garden.

Quarry did a complete about face from his miserable showing against Ellis in the heavyweight elimination tournament and left-hooked Mathis to death. It was a poor fight, albeit a splendid rally by Quarry, 12 to 5 second choice.

Mathis was knocked down in the second round. The knuckle he believed he had

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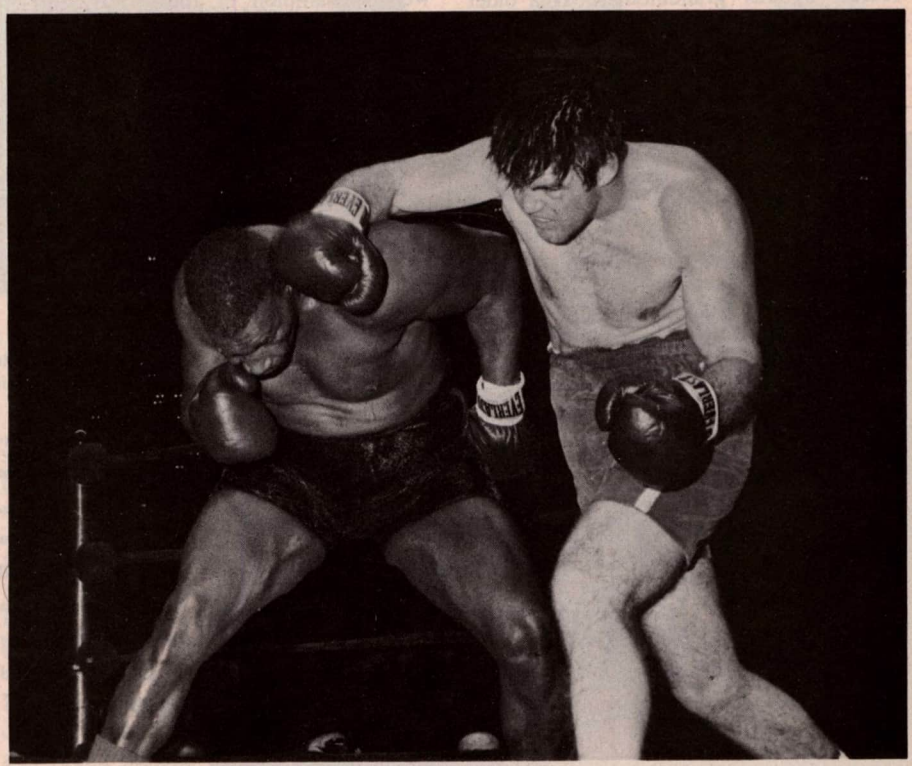


Quarry connects with a right to Mathis' ear during the early going. Mathis was down for a mandatory eight-count in the second round. Buster claimed an injury to a knuckle on his left hand, suffered in the first round, hampered him throughout.

Ramos "Illegal" Star At 17

By DON FRASER

LOS Angeles, Cal.—One of the big stories that crashed the sports pages of the Los Angeles dailies back in November 1966 was Mando Ramos' birthday. Usually, an occasion like this doesn't rate a line or two. But the fact that Ramos was just turning 18 was news.

The reason? You must be 18 years old to box as a professional in California and the Golden Bear State has a strict Commission. Mando already had tucked 13 pro battles under his belt when the word leaked out that only now was he legally old enough to fight in California.

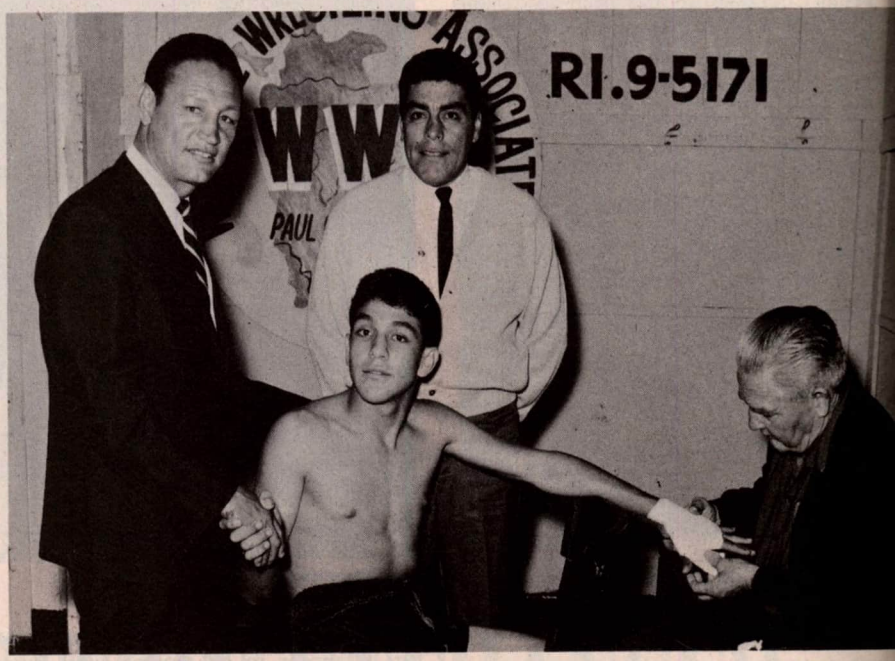
There really wasn't much the good fathers who govern the sport could say. They gave the super-teen from Long Beach a slap on his wrist and he continued to win and pack the Olympic Auditorium.

When he was a punk of 15, playing sandlot football in Long Beach, Mando learned how to take his lumps and fight back. He played against fellows like Earl (The Pearl) McCulloch, the Detroit Lions' pass-catching sensation, and Gene Washington, Stanford's stellar quarterback.

To live, he worked as a fry cook in his mother's Mexican restaurant in downtown Long Beach. His early years were not pleasant. With his parents divorced, he was reared by his grandmother. His older brother had problems with the law.

However, it was because of his brother, who fought as Junior Ramos, that the handsome youngster wanted to become a fighter. Mando didn't want to be just another guy struggling to make a few dollars. He vowed he would be the lightweight champion of the world, and he would do this while still in his teens.

The odds against a prediction like that coming true would have to be 10,000 to 1. But, it almost happened when, as a 19-year-old on September 28, 1968, in the Los Angeles Coliseum, Ramos dropped a close 15-rounder to champion Carlos (Teo) Cruz. The referee, Lee Grossman, and one judge, Rudy Jordan, called it 7-6 Cruz.



New lightweight king Mando Ramos shakes hands with former lightweight contender Enrique Bolanos as veteran trainer Jake Shugrue tapes his left hand. Behind Mando is is father, Ray.

Mando had to wait till he was 20 before he could call himself a world champion. On the night of February 18, 1969 before 14,200 at the Los Angeles Sports Arena, he pounded Teo Cruz into submission in the ninth round, going back in age of greats Willie Ritchie, Benny Leonard, Al Singer and Beau Jack, all titlists at 21.

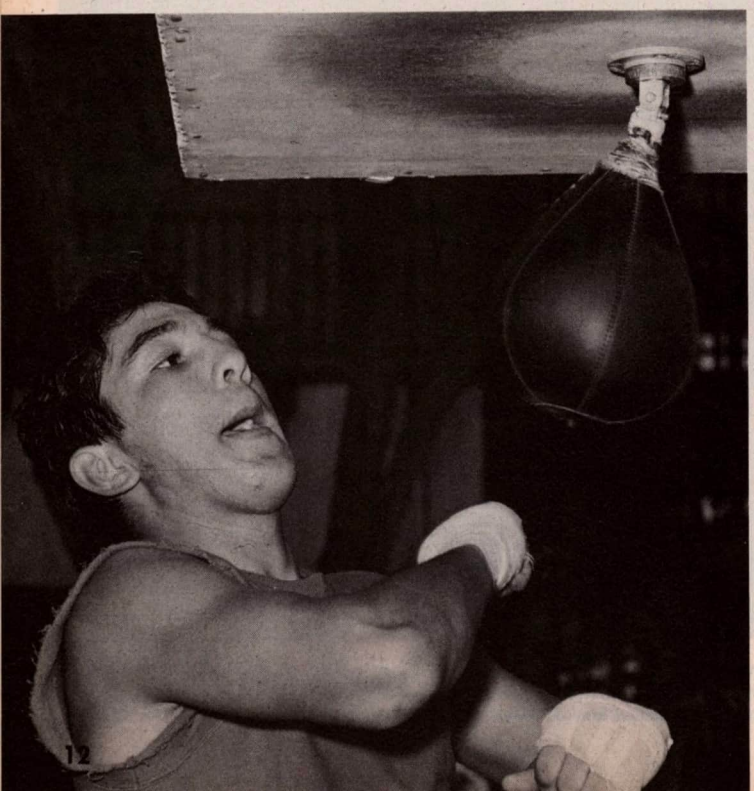
Never one to be short in the word department, Ramos says he would have been crowned champion in his first meeting with Cruz had the fight been scheduled for 16 rounds.

"Another round, and I'd have had Cruz out," said a disappointed 18-year-old in the Coliseum dressing room.

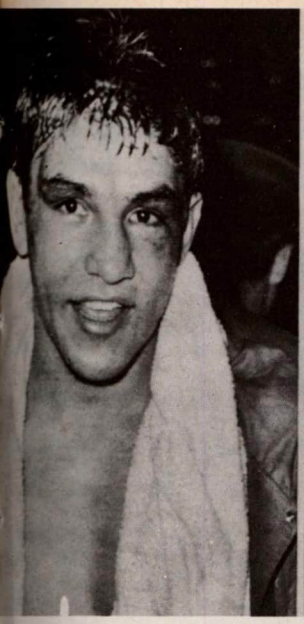
Much credit for the Ramos rise to the top must go to his managers, Jackie McCoy and Lee Prlia.

A crack bantamweight in the 40s, McCoy is well respected in boxing as an astute student of the game. He was training Junior Ramos at Jake Shugrue's pint-sized gymnasium in southwest Los Angeles, when Mando first appeared on the scene.

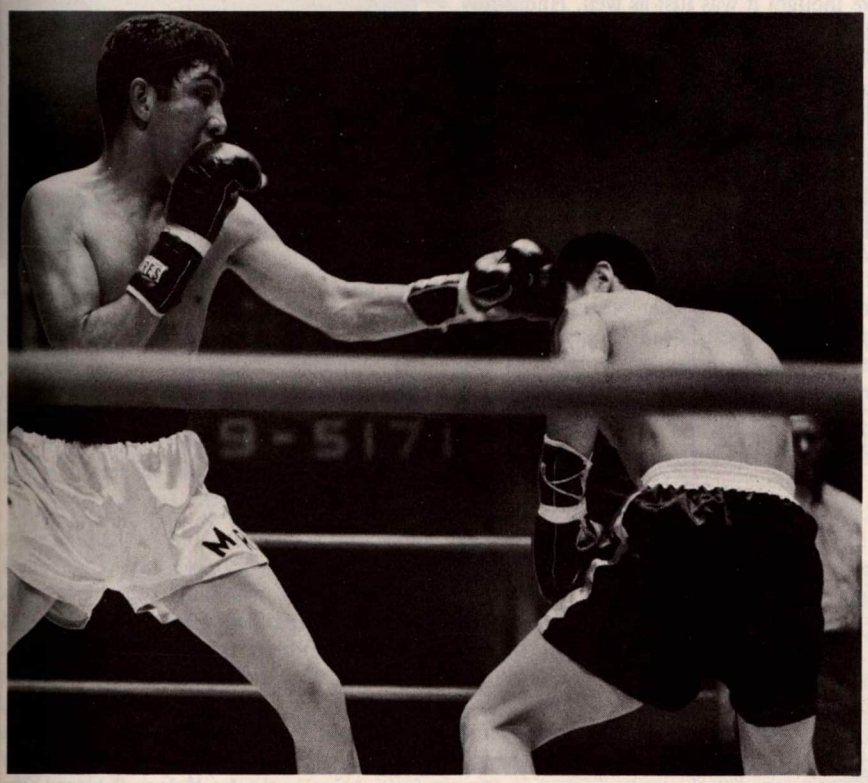
"From the first time he had on a pair of gloves, I knew here was a kid with something different. It is hard to explain,



The 20-year-old Ramos, who hails from Long Beach, Calif., does a bit of gym work on the speed bag. Mando is the youngest man ever to gain 135-pound honors.



(Left) This is how the victor and vanquished looked after Ramos stopped Teo Cruz in the 11th round for the championship. Mando is all smiles, while the unhappy ex-titleholder is bloodied from a cut on his left eye. (Right) The fighting pose of the Golden State's latest kingpin.



Ramos (left) connects with a long left to the head of Hiroshi Kobayashi, junior lightweight boss, during a 10-rounder won by Mando last June at the Olympic. This was the bout that led to Ramos' two meetings with Teo Cruz for the lightweight crown.

but Mando just picked up everything fast and he was willing to learn," McCoy explained.

"A few months in the gym, and he was holding his own with seasoned pros."

Ramos made his debut in a four-rounder at the Olympic Auditorium on November 17, 1965. He took a four-round decision from Berlin Roberts, then stopped Chuy Loera in four. He followed with an encore against Roberts and showed great improvement by knocking him out in one round.

On July 7, 1966, the whiz from Long Beach jumped into the 10-round class, halting Joey Aguilar in eight. The public started taking notice of Ramos and gates at the Olympic started hitting the $20,000 mark.

Defeat finally caught up with Mando in his 18th fight. He faced a rugged Korean by the name of Kang Suh Il and after 10 bitterly contested rounds, Kang got a close decision.

Of Mando's three setbacks, the one to Kang is the only one not reversed. He was overconfident against Frankie Crawford and found himself on the short end of a 10-round verdict. Five months later, he showed Crawford who was the better man.

The fight that led to his first meeting with Teo Cruz, the fight that really brought out the great all around ability of Mando was against Japan's Hiroshi Kobayashi, at the Olympic, June 20, 1968.

It was a blistering hot night and the arena was jammed to the rafters. Kobayashi was a slight favorite. He was the world's junior lightweight champion and he held an edge in experience. Built like a bull, the son of Nippon tried to intimidate

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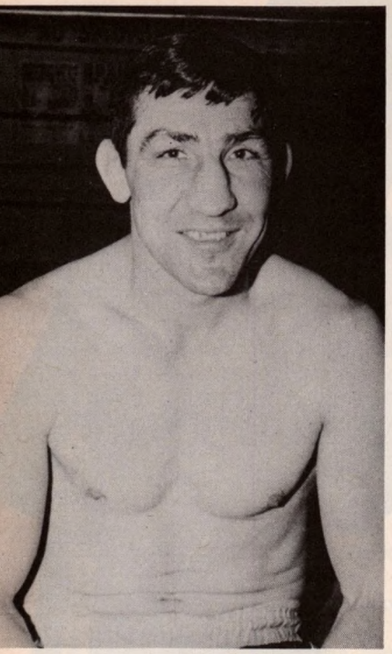
KENDALL, ONCE LEFT FOR DEAD, WANTS TITLE SHOT



Andy Kendall, "The Scappoose Express," smiles broadly for the birdie. Kendall, the man who came back from the dead, is anxious to get a shot at light heavyweight king Bob Foster's title.

By JOHN NOLEN

PORTLAND, Ore. — You might not think a record of seven wins, one loss and three draws in 11 fights extraordinary.

But, for a man who died two years ago?

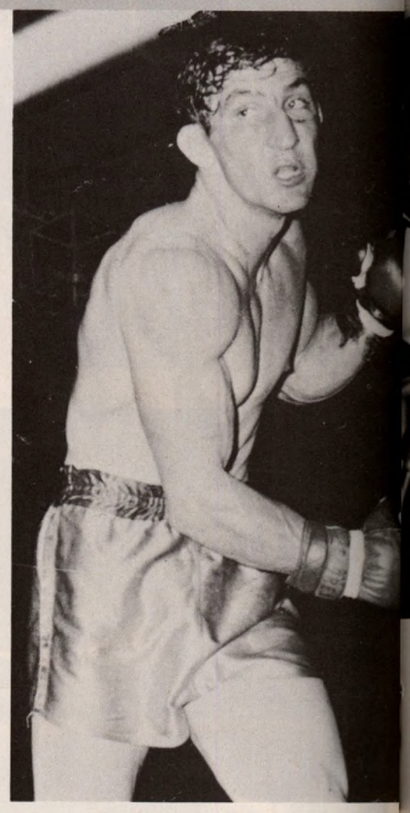
You see, Andy Kendall perished in a shotgun shooting on a Virginia farm on February 5, 1967. He was 27 years old. They covered him up, called the coroner and shook their heads sadly. They may have thought it was just as well. Had Andy Kendall lived, he would never walk again.

We are happy to report that the late Andy Kendall "posthumously" has won 7 of his last 11 fights, including an upset of 3-1 favorite Eddie Jones, the World Boxing Association's top-rated light heavyweight.

Not bad for a dead man.

Andy is not only the first 175-pound, 5-10½ ghost in history, but he's probably also the first one to beat No. 1. He is indisputably the best "dead" boxer who ever lived. There are times when he looks like one of the best live ones, too.

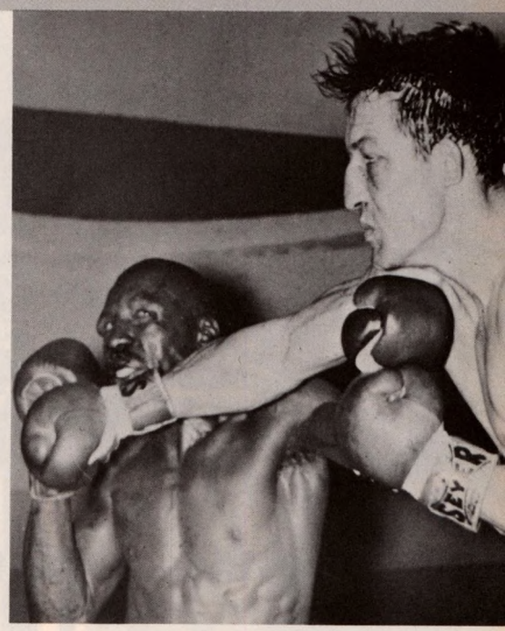
That nearly fatal February day Andy was too tough to die.

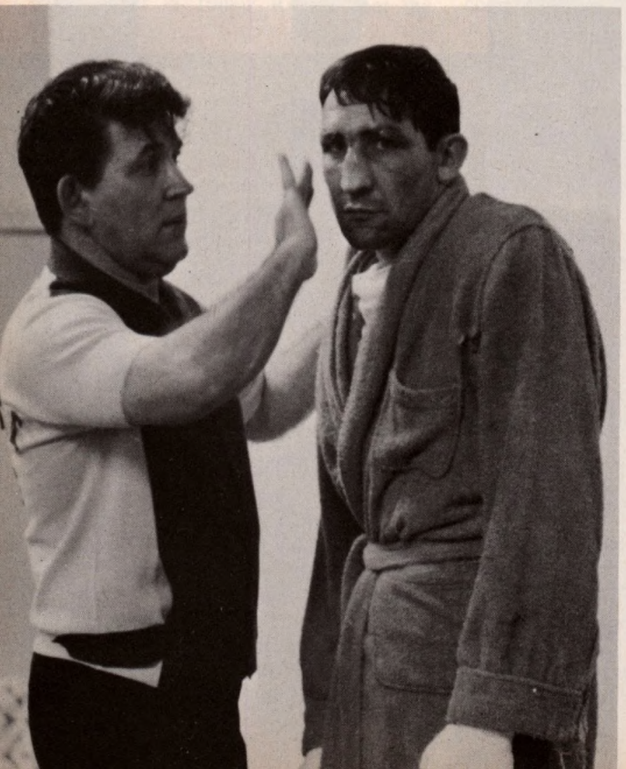


Here's Andy as his opponents see him during ring action.

(Left) Some action in Kendall's contest with Frank Niblett in the Portland Armory last year which resulted in the second consecutive 10-round draw between the pair.

Andy lands a hard right cross to the chin of Fred McWilliams while on his way to a 10-round verdict in their contest at Las Vegas, Nevada.





Mike Morton, Kendall's Brooklyn-born pilot, does a little fixing up after a gym workout.

"I was trying to see my kids," Andy recalled. "My wife and I had our problems, and separated. She took the kids and moved to Virginia to live with her folks.

"I followed her there and went to visit the kids.

"When I got to their house, my father-in-law had a shotgun and tried to stop me from going in the back door. I turned sideways just as he fired, or he would have blown a big hole through me.

"I had the papers allowing me visiting rights — which my wife had signed, too— in my pocket.

"They thought I was dead, and covered me up and called the coroner.

"The doctor told me later that if I had lain there on the ground another half hour, I would have bled to death.

"All I remember is asking God not to let me die. I begged him.

"He didn't turn me down."

Kendall was in the operating room about eight hours. His spleen was full of holes, they took out his appendix because it was shot up, and they removed a piece of intestine.

He's still packing a lot of lead around in him. Several pellets are lodged near his spine.

"Maybe that's why he has so much trouble making weight," Mike Morton, Kendall's Brooklyn-born manager, kids now.

Andy continued, "One leg was numb, and the doctor told me I'd never walk again, much less fight again. At first, I accepted the idea.

"But I started to learn to walk again. It took me only about a month after two weeks in a wheelchair. I wanted to prove I could fight again but, you know, I don't have any hate over this for anybody. I have no revenge in mind. Because what good would that do?

"I feel that the Good Lord will even everything up."

What did the close brush with death teach him?

"I grew up with a chip on my shoulder," Kendall declares, "And it took this to knock it off.

"I got custody of my two older children over this, and I couldn't be happier."

The only shooting he'll do, he says, is at the world champion.

He's on the verge of a shot at Bob Foster's world light heavyweight title.

The Scappoose Express figures he has "only about two more real good years of fighting in which to make money."

Kendall, who is half Seminole Indian, always was a tough kid. "Stupid, but I enjoyed it," he laughed.

"My mother died when I was 6 or 7 and my father died when I was 13," he recalls of his early days in Eastern Oregon. "I became a foster child and took the name Kendall. My real name was Pierce . . . Andrew Howard Pierce."

Born Sept. 5, 1937 in Baker, he graduated from Grant Union High in John Day, served a hitch in the Marines where he was a motor sergeant. He fought amateur, then turned pro at Yakima in August, 1962, after his discharge.

"I'll never forget my first loss," Andy reminisced about his sixth fight. "It was in Billings, Mont., against Len "Butcher Boy" Coleman, just before Christmas of 1962.

"I put him down with my first real punch in the first round," Andy chuckled, "Butcher Boy got up, and began rubbing his eyes and shaking his head. I said to myself, 'This is going to be fun playing with this yo-yo.' But you know what he did? He shook his head and then beat me to a pulp for six rounds. I'll never forget that night."

Morton, whose nicknames of "The Cologne Kid" or "Motor Mouth" are quite appropriate, became sole manager of Kendall in November, 1964, after the fighter's first 14 fights.

Quickly dubbing his fighter the "Scappoose Express," Morton began preaching to the press that he owned the "hottest piece of raw material in the fight business today."

After whipping Jones, Kendall's pro record stood at 27 wins, 4 losses and 5 draws.

Two of those standoffs came against former No. 1 middleweight Don Fullmer (1965, at Las Vegas) and one-time No. 1 light heavyweight Roger Rouse (1968, at Butte, Mont.). Two of the losses came

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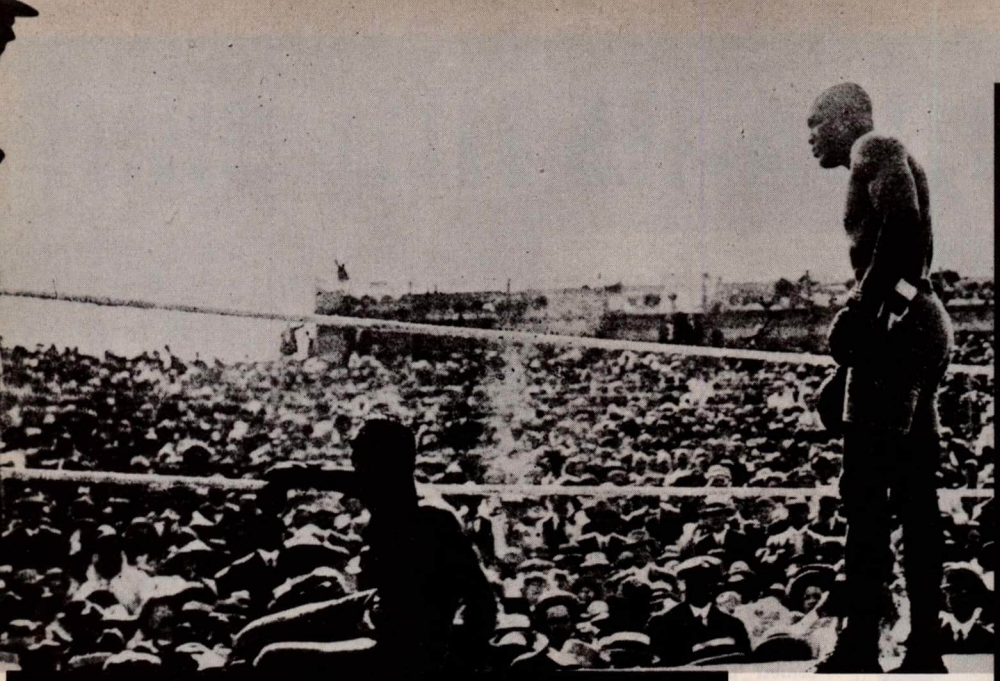
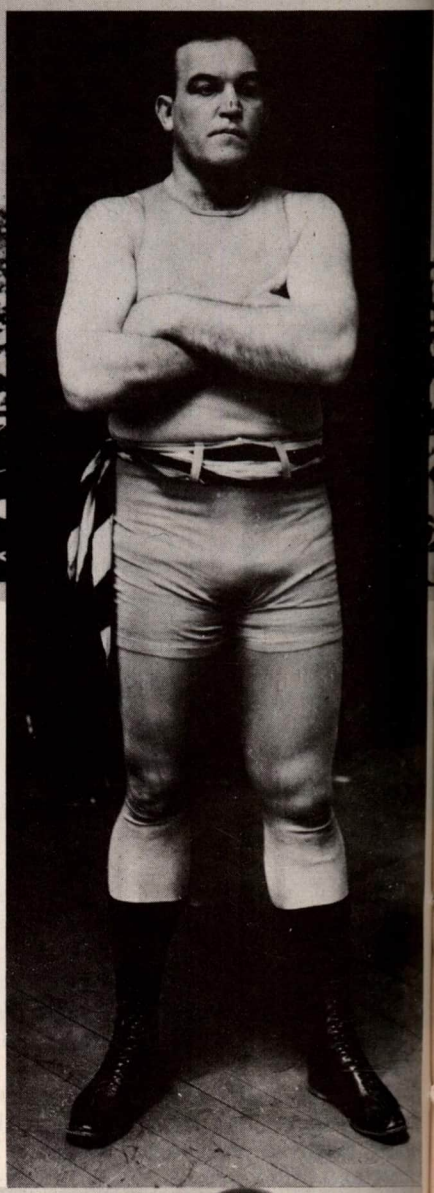
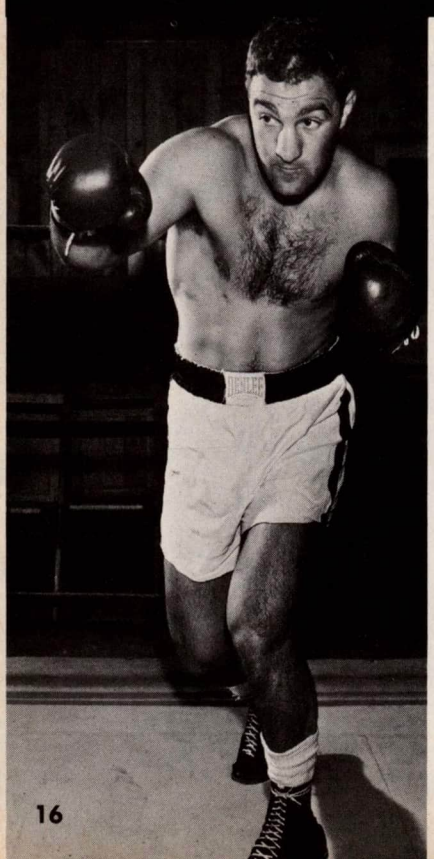
The rugged Kendall backs Don Fullmer to the ropes during their bout in Las Vegas which resulted in a 10-round stalemate.



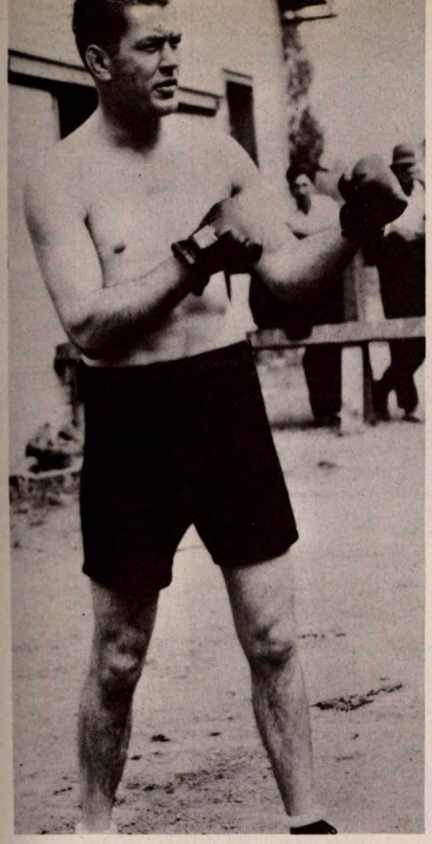


DO WOMEN REALLY RULE BOXING?

Above, we see the beginning of the end of the ill-fated Jack Johnson-Jim Jeffries meeting at Reno, July 4, 1910. Jeffries is floored and will soon be counted out by promoter-referee Tex Rickard in the 15th round. On the right is Jeffries, the Boilermaker, in his prime. Jeff reigned as champion from 1899 through 1905.



Rocky Marciano, heavyweight king from 1952 until his retirement in 1956. On the right, Rocky is served breakfast by wife Barbara after his defeat of Joe Louis in October, 1951.



(Left) Gene Tunney, heavyweight titleholder from Sept. 1926, when he defeated Jack Dempsey until his retirement in 1928 following his triumph over Tom Heeney. (Above), the Tunney family in 1959. From left, daughter Joan, Gene, son John, now a congressman from California, and Mrs. Tunney.

By DAN DANIEL

IN France, be it the solution of a real crime or a detective mystery, be it an adventure in social dalliance or a poor dinner, they say, "Cherchez la femme." Broadly translated, this means "Go look for the dame."

In professional boxing, if a great champion, undefeated and still in possession of his consummate weapons and the will to win and gain, retires from the ring, it is a case of "Look for the woman."

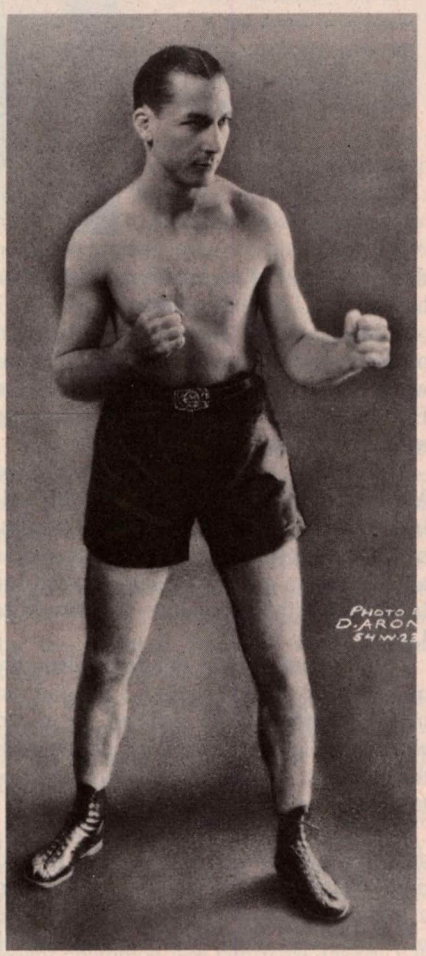
This is a strange amalgam of the power facets of a rather violent profession, and the tender relationship between the ring technician and the opposite sex.

True, the retirement of an unbeaten fighter is nothing you will run into with frequency. By the same token, the involvement of a woman in the retirement is nothing as common as your overdone steak or an unsolved robbery in the sovereign metropolis of New York.

The general involvement of great fighters with women sometimes not so great, hardly is anything new. With so much time on their hands between contests, professional boxers have crowding opportunities to come under the influence of the mother instinct, or something less prosaic.

But it wasn't until 1905, when Jim Jeffries, heavyweight champion of the world, retired after only 10 defenses, and like Alexander of old announced that he had no more worlds to conquer, that we ran into a real title holder no longer enticed by the pelf and the puissance of his position.

Was there a member of the fair and so-called weaker sex behind Jim's resolve? You may depend on it that there was.



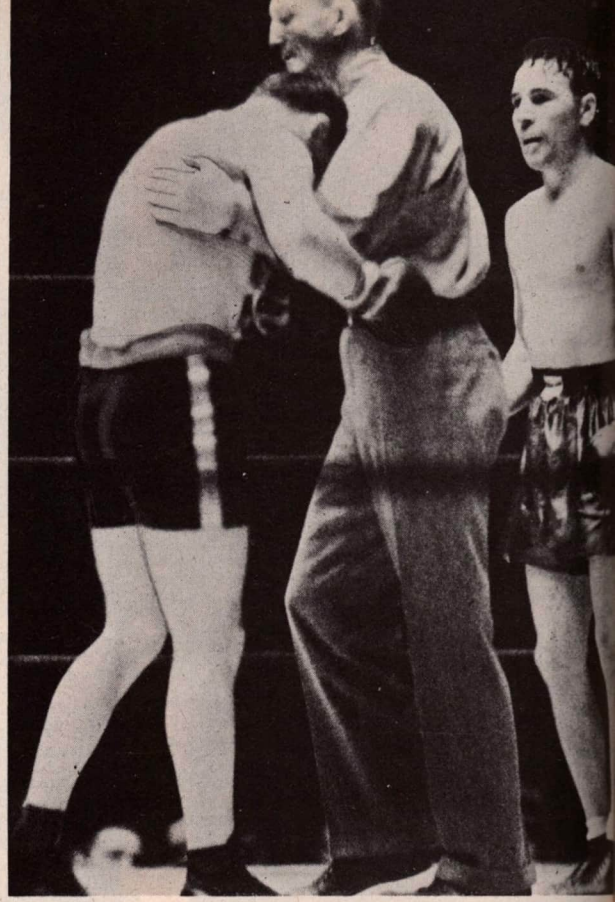
(Left) Benny Leonard, regarded by many as the greatest lightweight champion of 'em all. (Above) Benny and his mother, for whose sake he finally retired from the ring. He held the 135-pound crown from 1917 to 1925.

Ring history does not transmit to us her very words. But they bore this message: "Jim, there's nobody around to fight. Marvin Hart and Jack Root? You could beat both in the same ring within 10 rounds. You have enough money. You have the right place for retirement, the ranch you always have wanted."

So James J. Jeffries, actually our first world champion, since he had beaten Peter Jackson, whom John L. Sullivan never would fight, on the phony pretext of adherence to the Color Line, quit the ring and told Hart and Root to battle for the relinquished crown.

There is an unhappy sequel. On July 4, 1910, at Reno, Jeffries, victim of greed and foolish friends, returned to the ring and was knocked out in 15 rounds by Jack Johnson, who probably could have done it in less than 10. But we like to think of that Reno misadventure as something that can

Female Influence Behind Retirements From Ring Of Jeffries, Tunney, Marciano



Referee Arthur Donovan stops the bout between the beaten Leonard and Jimmy McLarnin on October 7, 1932, which signalled the end of Benny's comeback attempt after being out of the ring for six years. Financial troubles forced him to don gloves again.

ɔe expunged from the Boilermaker's record. We prefer to pretend it never happened.

Jeff was only 30 when he announced his retirement in 1905. His last fight preceding that decision was with Jack Munroe, on August 25, 1904. Munroe was a valiant soldier in the first World War. But he could not fight a lick in the ring.

The first clear case of "Cherchez la femme" involved the retirement of Gene Tunney, unbeaten world champion and twice conqueror of Jack Dempsey, in 1928, at the age of 30.

The femme was socially elect Polly Lauder, daughter of a millionaire who was high in the U.S. Steel echelon.

Tunney, son of Irish immigrants, born on Barrow Street in New York's Greenwich Village, had grown up closer to the Hudson River docks than the drawing rooms of Society.

But Gene had refined himself. The Marines. Book reading. Palling with college professors, mostly with Billy Phelps, of Yale, a reputation, possibly deserved, as a Shakespeare expert, a fighter quoted for familiarity with the classics—and then Miss Lauder.

Tunney had won the title from Dempsey on September 23, 1926, in a 10-round test in Philadelphia. Gene retained the world championship in a second encounter with the Manassa Mauler at Chicago, on September 22, 1927.

The Marine got $200,000 for the Philadelphia fight. As the champion he did much better in Chicago, with better than a million dollars, $990,445 from the gate of $2,658,660 gross, plus a chunk out of the movies.

The Lauder romance proceeded as romances do, mostly.

On July 26, 1928, in Yankee Stadium, Gene stopped Tom Heeney, truly no distinguished boxer, from Australia, in the 11th round. It was only the champion's second defense of the world title.

Vicente Saldivar, retired featherweight king, who called it quits in 1966. It's possible that female influence was a factor, but never has come up. Johnny Famechon of Australia has finally taken over as his official successor.

There were disturbing reports about a Tunney kidney operation. There were stories that Miss Polly Lauder was willing to go to the altar with James Joseph Tunney, but only if he would quit the ring.

And so it came about that Tunney announced his retirement. He never entered the ring again. And, as you know, he got the girl. It has been a happy marriage, out of which has come John Varick Tunney, member of the House of Representatives from California. Cherchez la femme? You did not have to cherchez very long or closely in that case.

The Tunneys live in an opulent mansion in Greenwich, Conn., far from Barrow Street and the docks on the Hudson, where Gene is said to have had some experience as a longshoreman.

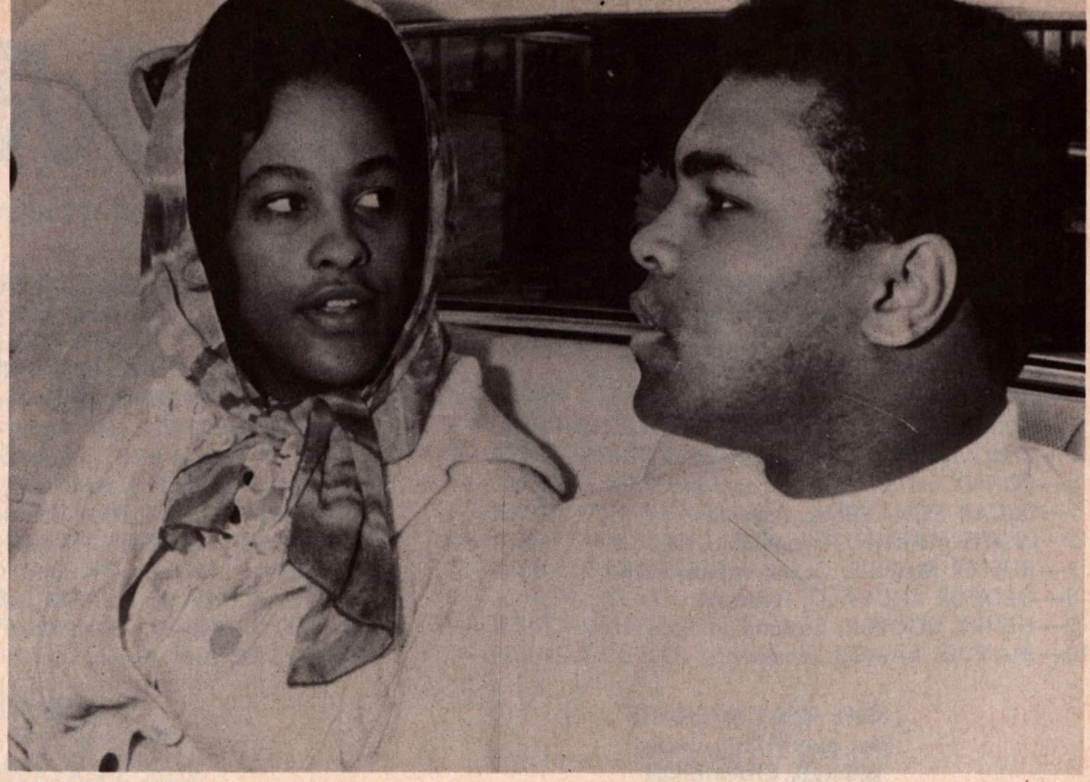
Truly a romance about which to write a book, and Nat Fleischer has done it. Sadly, that fine biography is out of print.

Cherchez la femme? You will find her, named Barbara, wife of Rocky Marciano, in the dramatic life story of that one-time heavyweight champion of the world.

Marciano won the title on September 23, 1952, when he knocked out Jersey Joe Walcott in the 13th round in Philadelphia.

On April 27, 1956, Marciano announced his retirement from the profession of boxing.

He made only six defenses of the title, his last on September 21, 1955, when he stopped Archie Moore in the ninth round. A return fight, one round, with Walcott; two meetings with Ezzard Charles; a victory over Roland La Starza; another



Cassius Clay and his second and present wife. He divorced his first mate because the Black Muslims did not think she was the ideal spouse for him.

against Don Cockell; the Moore affair, and you have the complete story, 43 rounds, of Rocco Marchegiano as a world champion. Before winning the championship, Rocky was quite a family man around the house in Brockton, Mass., near Boston.

But after Marciano had won the title, Brockton began to see less and less of him. And his wife Barbara, his mom, the fighter's family, found him in New York more often than in Brockton.

This, of course, was only natural. Brockton hardly was a fistic center. Nor was Boston, either, for that matter. In New York was Madison Square Garden, and Al Weill, Rocky's crafty but soon to become alienated manager.

Mrs. Marciano soon got tired of Brockton life, with an absent world champion.

Rocky's mother did not like her son to be subject to injury.

Rocky tired of the fistic life. The long training periods, in particular, irked him. Going away from his family for weeks to sequester himself with his training entourage in a cottage on the grounds of Grossinger's Hotel in the mountains did not appeal to the champion.

Barbara continued her campaign. Rocky's relations with Weill became increasingly strained. La femme won out. The heavyweight champion of the world, age 33, announced that he was through.

Fleischer's Ring Record Book is authority for the statement that as a champion Marciano earned something like a million and a half.

The best available sources place his total ring earnings at $2,000,000, with Weill's 33 percent cut included, and Federal taxes not yet clipped off.

Rocky could have gone on to greater wealth. But there she was—La Femme. "Enough," she said, and that was it. The retired Marciano bought a fine home down in Florida, at Fort Lauderdale. They are living happily afterward.

Cherchez la femme? Well, there was Mrs. Liener, the mother of Benny Leonard, perhaps the greatest lightweight boxing yet has produced.

Mrs. Leiner suffered from heart trouble through most of his ring career. His fights certainly did her no good as she always was apprehensive about injuries.

Eventually Benny promised her that he would quit. His second meeting with Lew Tendler in 1923—the first fight put on in the new Yankee Stadium—was to have marked his farewell.

But the money was coming in and Benny kept postponing the day of retirement until, on January 15, 1925, he announced that he was through.

He had talked Ma Leiner into letting him go on from fight to fight, but finally the family doctor warned Leonard that his mother could not stand the strain very much longer. His last fight as the lightweight champion was contested against Pal Moran in Cleveland on August 1, 1924.

His retirement dinner in New York brought out 1,000 celebrants. The onetime ghetto hero had quit. He was well-heeled.

When Benny quit he was rich. Fine investments in many directions.

But Fate delivered a body blow to Benny and his good intentions, and his investments.

The big panic of 1929 almost wiped him out financially. Two years later, on October 6, 1931, Benny Leonard came back as a fighter, in the welterweight division, ready to make a new career for himself at the age of 35.

It was an ill-fated adventure. Leonard was not Leonard. He was an old man lacking drive, punch and resiliency.

On October 7, 1932, Leonard was knocked out by Jimmy McLarnin in the sixth round. The second career had ended.

On April 18, 1947, Benny, forced to become a referee, was working in St. Nicholas Rink in New York. He collapsed during a fight. He died before he was removed to a hospital.

Another sub-heavyweight champion who retired unbeaten was Vicente Saldivar, the Mexican who held the world featherweight title recently won by Johnny Famechon.

Vicente retired in 1966. He has the distinction of having lost only one fight in his entire career, and that setback is questionable. On December 29, 1962, in the metropolis of Cuatre Caminos, Saldivar lost to Babe Luis in the seventh round on a foul.

Was the Saldivar retirement open to analysis on the "Cherchez la femme"" possibility? Could be. It never came up when he quit. He had tired of training, tired of fighting, and had enough money for his needs. The Tunney format? Conceivably.

Philadelphia Jack O'Brien and Tommy Loughran gave up the light heavyweight championship unbeaten, but they moved into heavyweight competition.

However, on the strict basis of "finding the female" our thesis appears to have been completed.

We may get another entry in Cassius Clay, who divorced his first wife because the Black Muslims did not like her.

WORLD RATINGS

By NAT FLEISCHER

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING APRIL 17, 1969

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CASSIUS CLAY, Houston, Texas
1—**JOE FRAZIER**, Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**JIMMY ELLIS**, Louisville, Ky.
3—**JERRY QUARRY**, Los Angeles, Cal.
4—**SONNY LISTON**, Las Vegas, Nev.
5—**OSCAR BONAVENA**, Argentina
6—**LEOTIS MARTIN**, Philadelphia, Pa.
7—**BUSTER MATHIS**, Grand Rapids, Mich.
8—**GEORGE CHUVALO**, Canada
9—**HENRY COOPER**, England
10—**MANUEL RAMOS**, Mexico

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BOB FOSTER, Washington, D.C.
1—**DICK TIGER**, Biafra
2—**GREGORIO PERALTA**, Argentina
3—**TOM BOGS**, Denmark
4—**ANDY KENDALL**, Portland, Ore.
5—**MARK TESSMAN**, Houston, Texas
6—**RAY ANDERSON**, Akron Ohio
7—**EDDIE AVOTH**, Wales
8—**BOB DUNLOP**, Australia
9—**YVAN PREBEG**, Yugoslavia
10—**HENRY HANK**, Detroit, Mich.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
NINO BENVENUTI, Italy
1—**LUIS RODRIGUEZ**, Miami Beach, Fla.
2—**FREDDIE LITTLE**, Las Vegas, Nev.
3—**STAN HAYWARD**, Philadelphia, Pa.
4—**EMILE GRIFFITH**, New York, N.Y.
5—**DON FULLMER**, West Jordan, Utah
6—**SANDRO MAZZINGHI**, Italy
7—**DENNY MOYER**, Portland, Ore.
8—**JUAN CARLOS DURAN**, Italy
9—**DOYLE BAIRD**, Akron, Ohio
10—**KI SOO KIM**, Korea

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CURTIS COKES, Dallas, Texas
1—**JOSE NAPOLES**, Mexico
2—**ERNIE LOPEZ**, Las Vegas, Nev.
3—**MANUEL GONZALEZ**, Odessa, Texas
4—**BILLY BACKUS**, Syracuse, N.Y.
5—**PERCY PUGH**, New Orleans, La.
6—**JOHANN ORSOLICS**, Austria
7—**RAUL SORIANO**, Mexico
8—**OSCAR ALVARADO**, Hondo, Texas
9—**SILVANO BERTINI**, Italy
10—**DAVID MELENDEZ**, Puerto Rico

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
NICOLINO LOCHE, Argentina
1—**BRUNO ARCARI**, Italy
2—**ADOLPH PRUITT**, St. Louis, Mo.
3—**PAUL FUJII**, Honolulu, Hawaii
4—**JOAO HENRIQUE**, Brazil
5—**BARRERA CORPUS**, Spain
6—**PEDRO ADIGUE**, Philippines
7—**WILLI QUATUOR**, Germany
8—**GERMAN GASTELBONDO**, Colombia
9—**JUAN SOMBRITA**, Spain
10—**RODRIGO VALDEZ**, Colombia

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
MANDO RAMOS, Long Beach, Calif.
1—**CARLOS (TEO) CRUZ**, Dominican Rep.
2—**ISMAEL LAGUNA**, Panama
3—**PEDRO CARRASCO**, Spain
4—**KEN BUCHANAN**, Scotland
5—**CARLOS HERNANDEZ**, Venezuela
6—**CARLOS ORTIZ**, New York, N.Y.
7—**FRANKIE NARVAEZ**, Puerto Rico
8—**JAGUAR KAKIZAWA**, Japan
9—**CHANGO CARMONA**, Mexico
10—**CARLOS ARO**, Argentina

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
HIROSHI KOBAYASHI, Japan
1—**YOSHIAKI NUMATA**, Japan
2—**RENE BARRIENTOS**, Philippines
3—**RUBEN NAVARRO**, Los Angeles, Cal.
4—**ARTURO LOMELI**, Mexico
5—**ANTONIO AMAYA**, Panama
6—**CARLOS CAÑETE**, Argentina
7—**PETE GONZALEZ**, San Jose, Cal.
8—**ROKURO ISHIYAMA**, Japan
9—**LEN KESEY**, Eugene, Ore.
10—**SALEMAN-ITTI-ANUCHIT**, Thailand

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOHNNY FAMECHON, Australia
1—**JOSE LEGRA**, Spain
2—**SHOZO SAIJYO**, Japan
3—**DWIGHT HAWKINS**, Los Angeles, Cal.
4—**FIGHTING HARADA**, Japan
5—**JOSE JIMENEZ**, Mexico
6—**CRUZ MARCANO**, Venezuela
7—**FELIPE TORRES**, Los Angeles, Cal.
8—**ALFREDO MARCANO**, Venezuela
9—**HOWARD WINSTONE**, Wales
10—**RAUL ROJAS**, San Pedro, Calif.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
LIONEL ROSE, Australia
1—**RUBEN OLIVARES**, Mexico
2—**CHUCHO CASTILLO**, Mexico
3—**ALAN RUDKIN**, England
4—**TAKAO SAKURAI**, Japan
5—**KAZUYOSHI KANAZAWA**, Japan
6—**DOMI MANALANG**, Philippines
7—**SALVATORE BURRUNI**, Italy
8—**JOHNNY CLARK**, England
9—**JESUS PIMENTEL**, Los Angeles, Cal.
10—**FRANCO ZURLO**, Italy

FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ALACRAN EFREN TORRES, Mexico
1—**CHARTCHAI CHIONOI**, Thailand
2—**BERNABE VILLACAMPO**, Philippines
3—**HIROYUKI EBIHARA**, Japan
4—**JOSE SEVERINO**, Brazil
5—**RATON MOJICA**, Nicaragua
6—**ERBITO SALAVARRIA**, Philippines
7—**FERMIN GOMEZ**, Mexico
8—**WALTER McGOWAN**, Scotland
9—**YOSHIAKI MATSUMOTO**, Japan
10—**BERKRERK CHARTVANCHAI**, Thailand

JERRY QUARRY FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

THE Ring's up-to-date ratings of the boxers of the world play up the fact that heavyweight Jerry Quarry, of Bellflower, Cal., made himself the Fighter of the Month with his spectacular 12-round unanimous and conclusive victory over Buster Mathis.

Quarry, who had lost so much ground with his defeat and totally lackluster showing against Jimmy Ellis in the final of the WBA heavyweight elimination tournament, recovered most of his gains of the two successes against Floyd Patterson.

Quarry abandoned his slow motion and slow thinking of the Ellis fight and left-hooked the much heavier Mathis to death.

The Ring ratings show Quarry in third place among the contenders, behind Joe Frazier and Jimmy Ellis.

Quarry's success put him in line for big chances against big opposition, for big stakes.

Mathis, who had faced Quarry as a sixth-placer in the ratings, dropped to seventh.

In moving into the No. 3 niche, Quarry jumped over Sonny Liston, now No. 4, with Oscar Bonavena No. 5.

It will be noted from the ratings that, with all of the excitement occasioned by the Supreme Court's inconclusive handling of the Cassius Clay felony appeal, The Ring still recognizes him as the world champion.

Just how much longer this position will remain tenable conceivably rests with the despatch, or otherwise, attendant on the lower Federal courts' examination of the evidence in the Clay trials in Houston.

Of more than passing notice is The Ring's elimination of Floyd Patterson from the ratings.

The former world champion had been carried in the No. 10 spot after his fine showing against Ellis in Sweden.

But The Ring rating machinery has waited in vain for Patterson to follow up his gains, though in a defeat, of the Ellis contest.

Since hermit Floyd chooses to remain inactive, and England's champion Henry Cooper deserved a reward for his activity, The Ring dropped Floyd and made Cooper its No. 9 choice. 'Ennery is the longest reigning title holder in British history.

The middleweight ratings show that The Ring appreciates what Freddie Little, the fighting schoolmaster, has been doing for himself in the middleweight division.

Little, who beat Sandro Mazzinghi but got a "No Contest" for his pains, and whom Mazzinghi now refuses to fight again even though ordered to do so by the EBU, will be found in the No. 2 contender's location, behind the veteran Luis Rodriguez. Nino Benvenuti, of course, continues as the class champion.

Of interest in the welterweight ratings is the appearance of David Melendez in No. 10. Willie Munoz has been dropped.

Two new Thai fighters appear in the ratings, Berkrerk Chartvanchai among the flyweights, and Saleman-Itti-Anuchit in the junior lightweight section.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

Names	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
John Griffin, Cleveland, Ohio	9/67	8	7	1	0	2
LIGHT-HEAVYWEIGHT						
Arno Prick, Germany	1/68	11	11	0	0	2
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Chris Finnegan, England	11/68	5	5	0	0	4
WELTERWEIGHT						
Donato Paduano, Canada	11/68	6	6	0	0	2
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Hector Matta, Puerto Rico	10/68	4	4	0	0	0
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Kenny Weldon, Houston, Texas	7/68	5	5	0	0	2
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Leo Calderon, Mexico	3/68	18	17	1	0	9
FLYWEIGHT						
Sid Vicera, Philippines	1/68	4	4	0	0	1

Bantamweight champion Lionel Rose (left) misses with a left as does English challenger Alan Rudkin with his right during their title encounter in Melbourne, won by Rose over the 15-round distance.

ROSE FINDS RUDKIN TOUGH, BUT TITLE NOT IN JEOPARDY

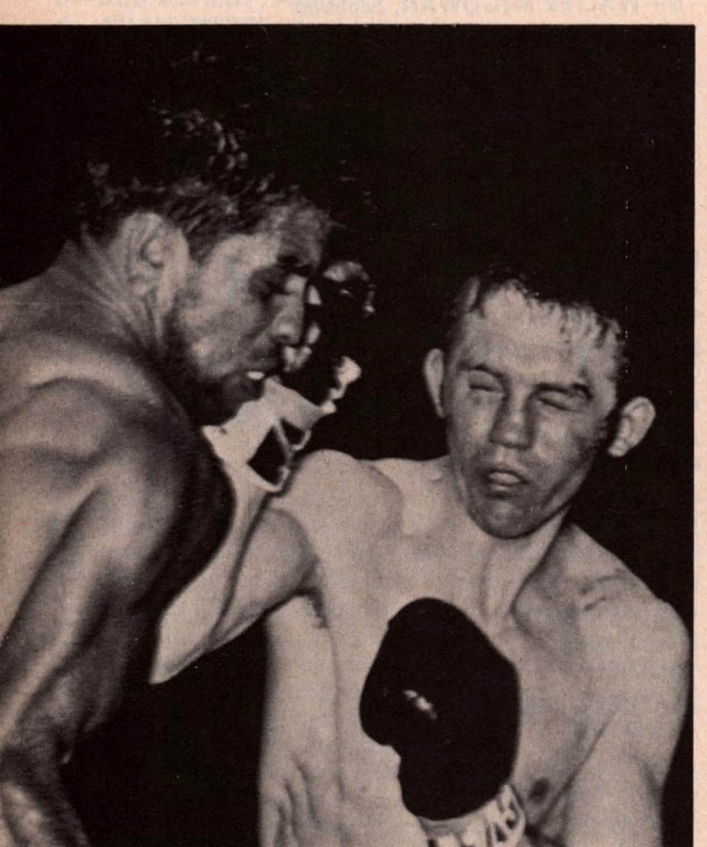
By RAY MITCHELL

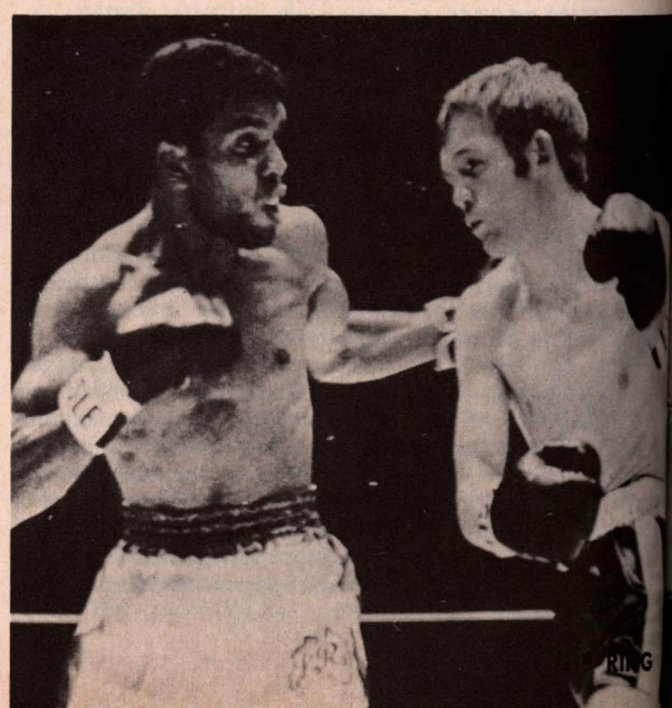
MELBOURNE, Australia.— Australia's Lionel Rose retained his world bantamweight title against Empire champion Alan Rudkin, of England, at Kooyong Tennis Courts before a capacity crowd of 15,000 fans who paid approximately $230,000 (Australian).

Scoring on five points to the winner, proportionate number (in full points) to the loser of each round, referee Vic Patrick awarded Rose 70, Rudkin 63.

Judge Ray Mitchell saw it 75-60 in Rose's favour, while judge Ron Walden came up with the astounding score of 70-69 in favour of Rudkin.

Rose was the master throughout. His defense was as near





(Above) Rudkin connects with a hard right to Rose's head. Note the cut on the Englishman's left eyebrow. (Right) The Australian aborigine is about to toss his right as Rudkin misses with his right during some action midway through the contest.

perfect as defense can be. His counter-punching and all-round boxing were superlative, and despite breaking his finger in the eighth round, and severely bruising his wrist, he still was in command until the last minute of the 15th round.

So successfully did he camouflage the injury that Rudkin did not know of it. Nor did anyone else, except Rose, until after the fight.

Rose's performance was a lesson to other boxers. Rudkin won great praise for his walk-up gameness in the face of superior equipment, and for his toughness.

The promoter was Reg Ansett, master of a large airline company. When he set the seat prices ranging from $40 to $7.50, a number of people said he had over-reached himself. He proved them wrong by packing the stadium and leaving thousands disappointed at being unable to buy tickets.

Ansett Transport Industries did a magnificent job. The venue, scene of many Davis Cup tennis tussles, was ideal. The publicity was phenomenal, and the whole organization unbeatable. The Australian Boxing Federation worked with the promoter in organizing and in arranging the preliminary bill.

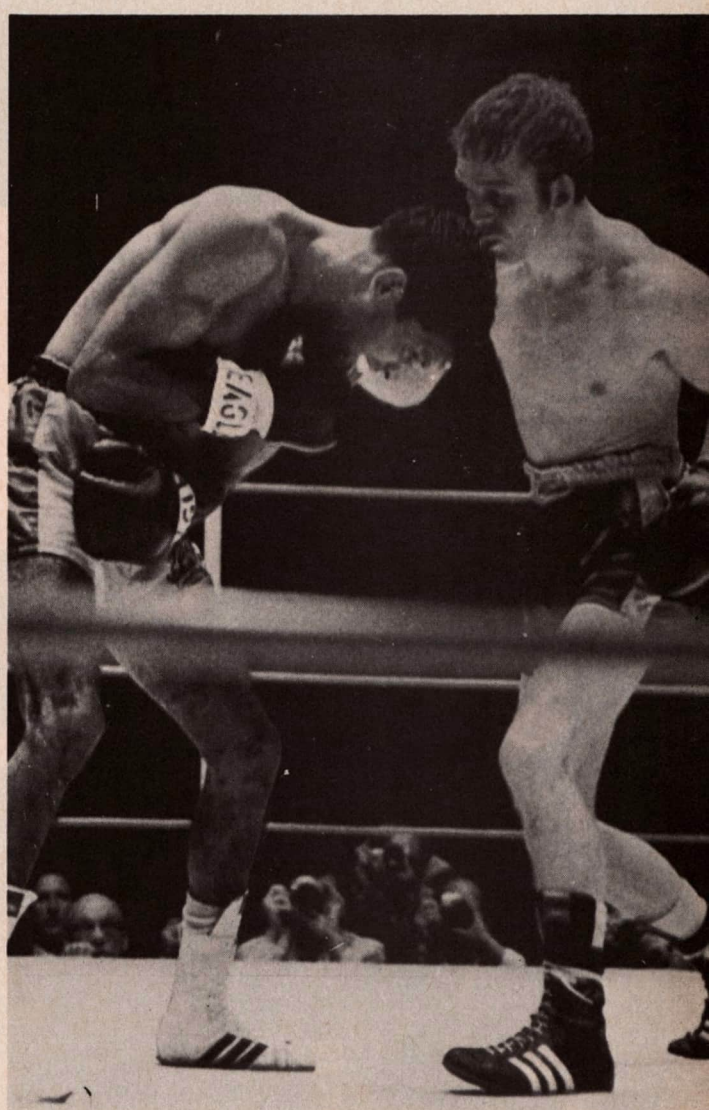
Every Australian reporter covering the fight saw Rose as a clear winner, but my scorecard came in for some criticism.

The critics were judging by an overall impression, instead of following the explicit rules of the Federation that were handed to the referee and judges — and agreed upon by both parties of the bout. Those rules stated that we had to assess points on scoring punches landed, not on overall impressions.

On four television programmes in the following days I gave commentary and progressive scoring over the film of the fight. I vindicated my scoring of 14 rounds to Rose and one even.

One TV channel received 900 phone calls and nearly 400 letters proclaiming that, after seeing the film after the fight, and not being influenced by emotion while viewing the live telecast, my card was correct.

On one day I received 105 phone *(Continued on page 36)*



(Left) With his hand heavily bandaged, Rose is escorted by a security guard as he enters St. Vincent's Hospital in Melbourne following the title bout. Rose broke a finger in the eighth round, and severely bruised his wrist. (Above) Rudkin connects with a right to the head as Rose attempts to cover up.

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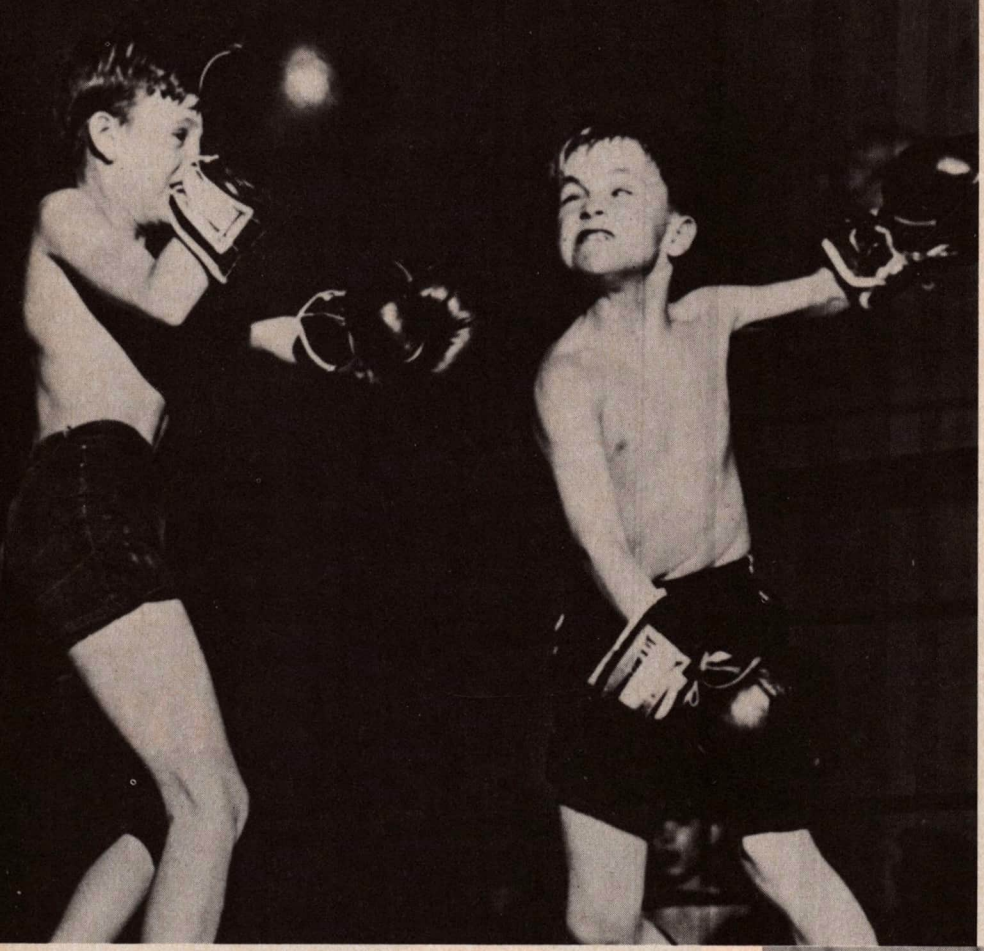


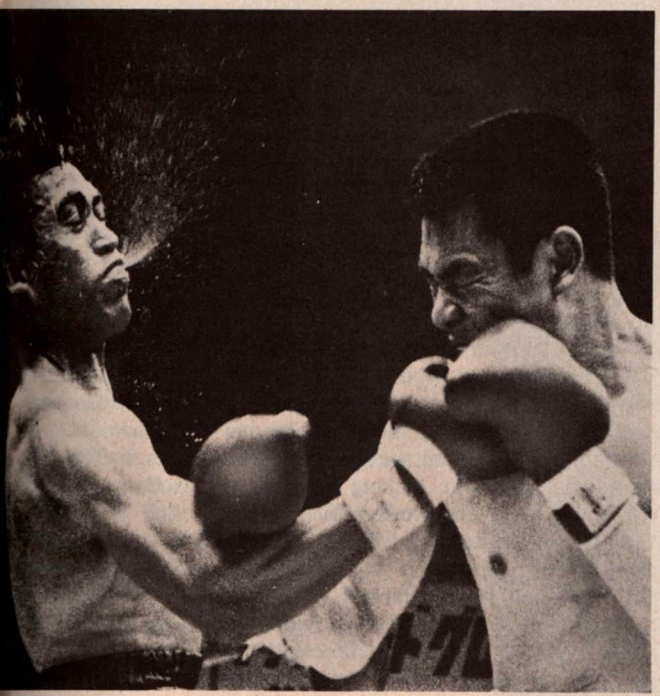
Gregory Thomas (right) misses with a vicious right aimed at Raymond Tozer during a bout for 55-pound boxers in the Toronto junior boxing championships. Gregory went on to win a decision in three rounds.

Top-hatted European heavyweight king Henry Cooper pins the Order of the British Empire presented to him by Queen Elizabeth at Buckingham Palace on his eight-year-old son, Henry Marco, as his wife Albina looks on.

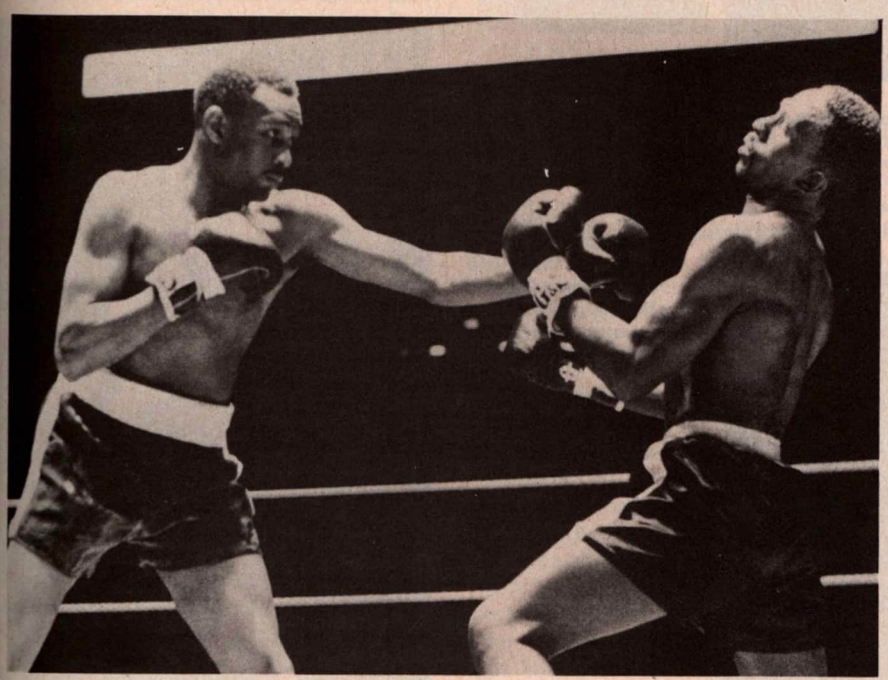
World featherweight champion Johnny Famechon (left) shakes hands with his trainer-manager, Ambrose Palmer, after healing their rift at the Melbourne home of sports commentator Ron Casey (seated).

Among the award recipients from the Freedoms Foundation are boxing figures George Foreman (second from right) and Archie Moore (far right). Dr. Kenneth D. Wells (left), president of the organization, presents its highest honor, The George Washington Award, to retired Army General Harold K. Johnson. Baseball's Stan Musial is other honorary in photo. Ceremonies took place at Valley Forge, Pa.

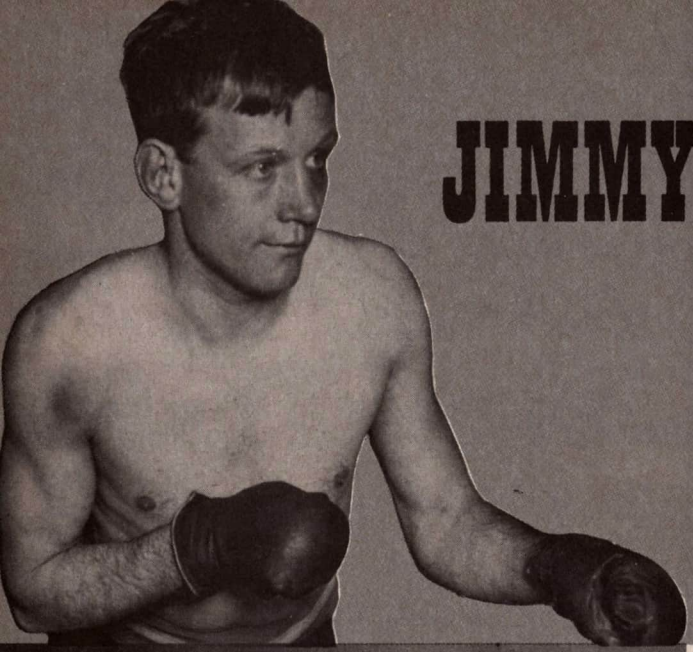
Fel Pedranza of the Philippines grimaces from effects of right landed by Orient welterweight champion Musashi Nakano. The blow sent Pedranza to the floor where he was counted out in the fourth round of the scheduled title 12-rounder at Tokyo.



Rene Barrientos of The Philippines holds back the tears of emotion as he receives a championship trophy after defeating Ruben Navarro in 15 rounds at Manila. Barrientos received World Boxing Council recognition as junior lightweight titleholder.

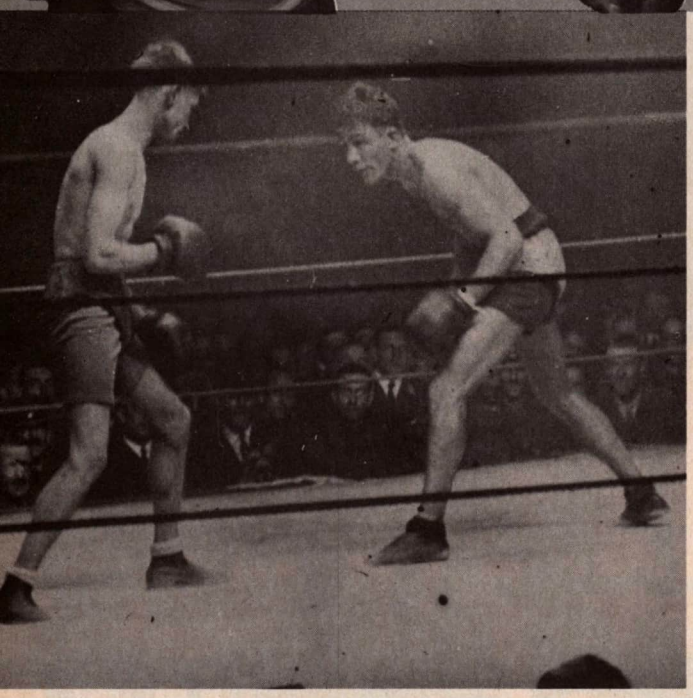


Don Cobbs' head snaps back after taking a long left from welterweight boss Curtis Cokes. Cokes knocked out Cobbs in the first round of their non-title contest in St. Louis. The bout was staged as a benefit for former welterweight champion Virgil Akins.



JIMMY WILDE, 1892-1969

Boxing Hall Of Famer Held Flyweight Title From 1916 To 1923

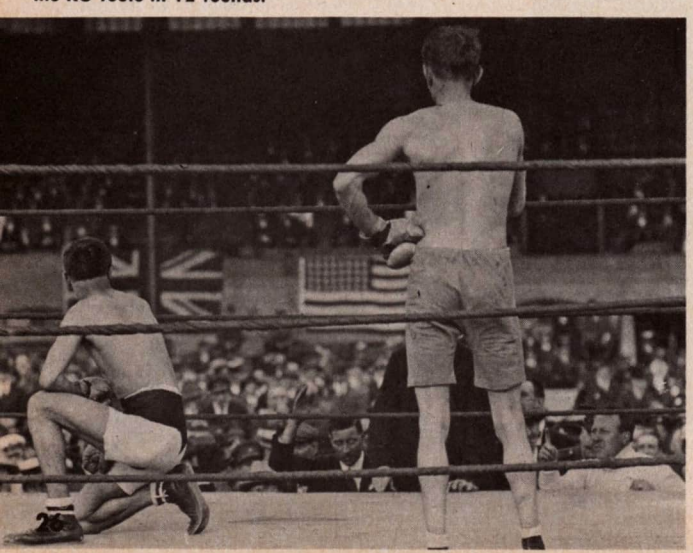


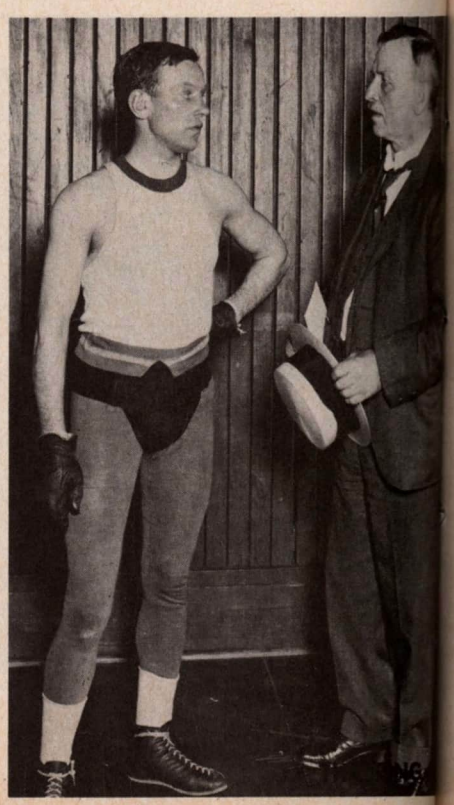
By JERSEY JONES

IT wasn't entirely unexpected, but it was a shock nevertheless to hear that Jimmy Wilde, 76, had been counted out in a Cardiff, Wales, hospital, where he had been confined since suffering serious injuries when set upon by a gang of hoodlums a year before.

This observer had reported Wilde's condition upon returning from a jaunt to Britain last summer. We had hoped to catch up to Jimmy and do some reminiscing with him, but the one-time Mighty Atom was in no condition for a visit. The brutal battering and kicking he had received, particularly around the head, had taken their toll. He had difficulty at times even recognizing old friends. A few years earlier he had been seriously injured in an automobile accident, and hadn't fully recovered when attacked by hoodlums at a lonely railroad station in Cardiff. His later years were spent in a twilight world of fading memories. He could barely recall his boxing years and was never told of the passing of his wife, Elizabeth, in 1966.

(Top) The great Jimmy Wilde in his prime. (Above) Wilde (left) during his bout with Pal Moore in London in the final of the Inter-Allied King's Trophy Competition on Dec. 12, 1918. Moore won the three-round decision. However, on July 17, 1919, Wilde defeated Moore in 20 rounds at the Olympia in London. (Below) Wilde stands with glove on hip as Joe Conn takes count during their London bout on August 31, 1918. Wilde won via the KO route in 12 rounds.





Here is Wilde and his manager during his tour of the United States, Dave Hughes. The Mighty Atom's regular pilot was Teddy Lewis.

It was a tragic ending, indeed, to an amazing career of one of boxing's all-time greats. Wilde was voted into Boxing's Hall of Fame, in The Ring's headquarters, in 1959, and no ringster ever was more deserving of that sort of recognition.

Wilde was a native of Pontypridd, a mining center in the hills above scenic Rhondda Valley in South Wales — the community that produced another world champion, lightweight Freddie Welsh, and the noted Moody clan.

To veteran fight authorities, Jimmy Wilde was one of the most remarkable mechanics the ring has yet uncovered. He looked anything but a fighter—frail, anemic-looking, 5 feet, 2 inches in altitude and seldom scaling more than 100 pounds at his peak. But he packed real power in his fists, and his professional record of 140 bouts, spanning from 1911 through 1923, revealed 77 won by knockouts, for a punching percentage of .550. He not only disposed of topline flyweights, but frequently added bantamweights and occasionally featherweights to his list of victims. A few pounds here and there meant little to the tiny Welshman.

Jimmy was a "natural" fighter. He never had a lesson, but learned his trade in actual competition. Before embarking upon a professional career, Wilde had had a rugged early schooling in hundreds of carnival booths, and was well prepared for more serious, profitable, campaigning in the money ranks.

We recall Johnny Sharpe, The Ring's British correspondent, relating his first peek at Jimmy Wilde.

Sharpe's older brother, a brilliant featherweight operating as "Young Cohen," was a popular attraction at the London clubs, and because of his brother's popularity, Johnny, adopting "Kid Cohen" as his nom de ring, was favored by local matchmakers arranging their preliminary cards.

This night a scrawny, sickly-looking character breezed into the preliminary dressing room. Nobody knew him, but if he was looking for a fight he wouldn't have far to look. All the kids were willing, even eager, to accommodate what they figured would be a "soft touch." Sharpe was among them, and he assumed he'd be the one selected by the matchmaker. Just when it looked as though he'd be the lucky one, Johnny saw the matchmaker over in a corner, talking with Matt Wells, former British lightweight champion. Wells, it developed, was plugging for a nephew, or "nipper," and it must have been a convincing "sales talk" for the matchmaker acceded to Matt's request to use his "nipper" with the newcomer.

"The visitor looked so weak that every time the dressing room door opened," Sharpe explained, "we expected the draft to knock him down."

When Wells' protege was selected to oppose the newcomer, it was a bitter disappointment to the other kids, Sharpe particularly.

That disappointment didn't last long. The bout had hardly started when a boisterous outbreak of shouting reverberated throughout the arena, and a few moments later the fighters returned to the dressing room, the winner coming in first.

The winner was the supposed "soft touch." He had flattened Wells' nephew in one round!

That was Jimmy Wilde's first appearance in a London ring.

Speaking of the occasion, Johnny Sharpe observed: "When I wasn't picked as the opponent, it was the luckiest break I ever got in boxing."

Until Wilde arrived on the scene, the flyweight division was virtually a British creation, and not recognized outside the tight little isle. The Mighty Atom was to establish it on a world-wide basis.

Jimmy's rise to the championship ran into one setback. Tancy Lee, a Scot, stopped him in 17 rounds in London early in 1915, but the following year Wilde squared accounts by halting Lee in 11 cantos in the British capital.

Jimmy's exploits, well publicized in the United States, were bound to arouse the interest of Americans, and two mites, Young Zulu Kid and Johnny Rosner, began to dispute Wilde's claim to the world championship. Both were accommodated in British rings in 1916, and each was stopped in 11 rounds, Zulu Kid in London and Rosner in Liverpool.

Late in 1918, following the close of World War I, Wilde competed as a bantamweight in the King's Trophy Meet in London for boxers in the Allied forces. In bouts limited to three rounds, Jimmy tangled with two American entries, Joe Lynch and Memphis Pal Moore. He outpointed Lynch but lost to Moore.

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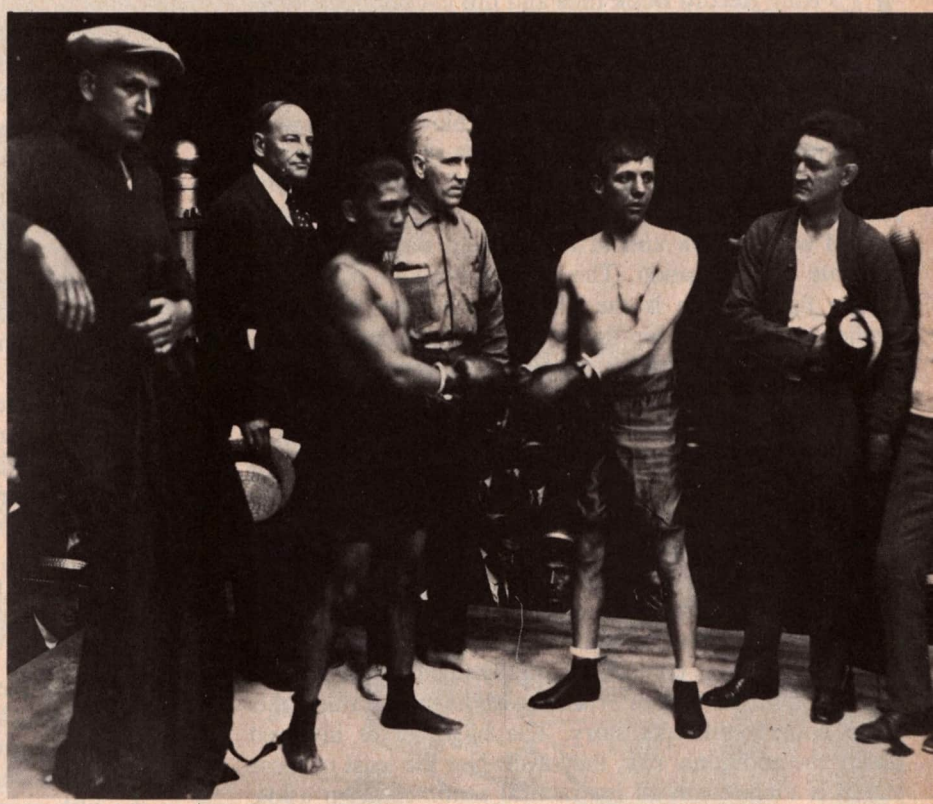
(Right) Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Wilde arrive in New York on the S. S. Aquitania in the spring of 1923 for Wilde's bout with challenger Pancho Villa at the Polo Grounds. (Below) The contestants flank referee Patsy Haley before the start of their scheduled 15-rounder in which the Filipino scrapper captured the title from the veteran Welshman by stopping him in the 7th round. Villa weighed 110 and Wilde 109½.



THE RECORD BOOK AND THE KNOCKDOWN RULE

By TED CARROLL

IT'S Ring Record Book time and this encyclopedic tome is undergoing its annual dissemination throughout the known world. This is an age of controversy and argument, dialogue and dichotomy and pros and cons. Nowhere do the gusts of disagreement blow more fiercely than among the aficionados of the fight game. As long as this condition prevails among boxing fanciers, the Ring Record Book will maintain its biblical significance. Its limited editions are almost always sold out even before the date of publication. The present bone of contention among fight people is the 'three-knockdown' rule as it applies to championship fights. As in everything else pertaining to pugilism, the Record Book offers interesting evidence on the subject in dispute.

Let it be understood that there is little or no opposition among fight people and the public to the three-knockdown dictum being enforced in non-title fights. Being of the belief that some sort of gladiatorial contest affords a vital outlet for the vicarious escape of the aggressive instincts endemic to masculinity, fight people and the authorities are at the same time well aware that every safeguard to the health of the boxer should be adopted. Support of the rule in the average contest is virtually unanimous. But the opposition insists that enforcement of the rule in title fights is an entirely different story. The huge stakes involved justify the additional risk, they aver. Not the least of these stakes is money and all impractical sentimentalism aside, money is what makes the world go round. Big money earners among non champions have been rare, and when a challenger's career is finally climaxed by the opportunity to make it all worth while, the element of danger should be disregarded to some degree. In the case of the champion, they declare he should be given every chance to retain his hard won laurels.

Criticism of the three-knockdown rule had its germination in the recent Frankie DePaula-Bob Foster light heavyweight championship contest in Madison Square Garden on Jan. 22, when DePaula, apparently little the worse for wear after arising from his third trip to the canvas, was declared out of action by referee Johnny LoBianco in accordance with New York State Athletic Commission rules, in the first round. Most of the unhappiness was generated among the 16,129 customers who had paid up to $30 in a house which totalled $189,000 in receipts. Many observers noted that the New Jersey challenger, DePaula, did not seem particularly distraught over the abbreviated ending and what protest there was from his corner appeared to be perfunctory. The hard-hitting contender and his handlers seemed quite content to make the return trip across the Hudson River back to the Jersey marshes some $40,000 richer. Not so the bulk of the audience most of them DePaula rooters, who were joined by a goodly portion of the press in pronouncements of displeasure amidst bellowings for the abrogation of the knockdown rule.

What opinions can be gleaned from the material in the Record Book as to the waiving of this humanely motivated edict in championship bouts? Incidentally, few of the DePaula die-hards expressed any strong conviction that their man might have come on to win. According to the records, challengers who have run into serious trouble in the early rounds have rarely come on to dethrone the defending champion. The famous Dempsey-Firpo brawl in 1923 might be called a controversial exception from one angle. There have been recurrent claims over the years that strict interpretation and enforcement of the rules would have given the Argentinian the world heavyweight title when, after sustaining three first round knockdowns, he dumped Dempsey through the ropes and into the laps of the working press. Had that happened it would have given the prize to the lesser man, for the dynamic Dempsey made short work of the lumbering South American when hostilities resumed in the second round.

The Ring Record Book gives the number of knockdowns suffered by Firpo in that legendary contest as seven. Other challengers who kept bouncing off the canvas only to lose out in the end, were Danny O'Sullivan, eight times in the fifth round against bantam champion Vic Toweel in Johannesburg, South Africa, in 1950; Vince Martinez, five times against welter champ Virgil Akins in the first round in St. Louis in 1958 and Tommy Collins who did a yo-yo act seven times against hard-hitting lightweight champ Jimmy Carter in Boston in 1953. Collins' bouncing ball imitation, which occurred in the early days of nationwide fight televiewing, aroused a public outcry against the referee for permitting it to go on. All of these were challengers who, besides being saddled with these unwelcome records, also failed in their title attempts and this has invariably been the fate of contenders who suffered severe punishment in the early rounds.

A notable exception here is reputed millionaire TV figure Rocky Graziano, who after taking a dreadful drilling from champion Tony Zale in Chicago in 1947, triumphed over the suffocating heat in the arena and his redoubtable foe to win the middleweight title by a knockout in the sixth round. Floored in the third round, cut and bleeding, Rocky's win over Zale was the strongest comeback ever made by any challenger.

Off the record, bypassing the knockdown rule in title fights figures to favor the defender more than the aspirant.

There are outstanding instances where champions have struggled back from impending disaster to leave the ring 'winner and still champion.' Under the knockdown rule light heavyweight champion Archie Moore would have lost his crown against Yvon Durelle in Montreal in 1958 after the fast-starting fisherman had dumped him to the canvas three times, but Archie, using his years of experience to good stead, prevailed in the end. In the first meeting of their rousing three fight series, Tony Zale's title seemed gone under the first round charges of hot fisted Rocky Graziano, but the blond gamester from Gary, Indiana stayed with it and it was Rocky who was counted out in the sixth round in New York's Yankee Stadium back in 1946.

Things looked gloomy for the late Gus Lesnevich the night in the old Garden back in 1947 when he met Blackjack Billy Fox for the first time. Blackjack Billy could punch, if nothing else, and for a few moments after the opening gong it looked as though defending light heavyweight champion Lesnevich might not survive the first round. But rallying back as a true champion should, the Cliffside, N.J. 'Russian Lion' was a grinning victor at the end by way of a 10th round kayo.

Old time master boxer Tommy Loughran was another champion who had early round troubles. Way back in 1928, facing Leo Lomski, a rough, tough contender from the far west, Tommy found himself on the canvas right under the opening gun. It was an uphill battle the rest of the way but Loughran's hand was raised at the end. In his title defense against Braddock in 1929, the Philly Phantom suffered a severe cut which bled profusely in the opening stanza. Loughran's skill was so extreme, plodding Jersey James was unable to land another solid punch for the remaining 14 rounds. Braddock recently revealed in a TV talk that the tricks Tommy showed him in that match he turned to his own advantage in taking the heavyweight title from Max Baer six years later. Barney Ross, one of the most courageous of champions, had to overcome two nine-count knockdowns, before turning back Ceferino Garcia's welter title bid in 1935.

While none of these but Moore would have *(Continued on page 64)*

PUNCH LINES

THE Great Debate between Nat Fleischer and Jimmy Jacobs, the outstanding collector and owner of old fight films, once again has resulted in a decision for the publisher of The Ring Magazine.

Last year, in the jumbo March issue, Fleischer scored a close victory over Jacobs in the matter of old-time champions vs. modern fighters.

This year, in the March issue, Fleischer gained a comparatively easy victory. The question Fleischer and Jacobs were called on to answer was, "Who was the most exciting and interesting fighter you yet have seen in competition?"

Fleischer backed Jack Dempsey, and Jacobs stood up for Ray Robinson. The Dempsey side won by 408 to 239. The score doubtless is not complete, as distant places have yet to be heard from.

The evidence conclusively points to Fleischer and Dempsey. But not without dissent. There are votes for other entries, notably Rocky Marciano, Joe Louis, Ezzard Charles, Benny Leonard, Joe Gans, Battling Nelson, Jack Johnson, and Willie Pep.

Picking some of the letters backing Fleischer and Dempsey we find Gene Gordon, Charlotte, N.C., David Vito, Providence, R.I.; James P. Comerford, Canastota, N.Y.; Michael Hadley, Harrison, N.Y.; Sara Devinney, New York; Harry Tresor, San Francisco; Din Cason, Santa Monica, Cal.; Charles A. Burget, Louisville, Ky.; David E. West, Holyoke, Mass.; John Demange, Pawtucket, R.I.; Harry De Lisle, Montreal, Can.; Hetty Castle, Tampa, Fla.; Ron Shewmake, Garland, Tex.; Byron W. Gokey, Richmond, Vt.; and Neil Galloway, Butte, Mont.

Several hundred readers took the wrong slant. They voted on the question "Who was the greatest fighter?" and found themselves in a muddle involving different classes—Dempsey and the heavies, Robinson and the middleweight and welters.

These votes had nothing to do with the big question at hand, and had to be thrown away. Fleischer always has called Jack Johnson the greatest heavyweight, but he has not gone for Lil Artha as the most exciting, as against Dempsey.

IN DEFENSE OF CALIFORNIA SYSTEM

Ever since Jerry Quarry's victory over Floyd Patterson in the recent WBA tournament, I have been astonished at the number of dissenters you have allowed to air their views against the California scoring system! Let there be JUSTICE!

Here, you have a system which is "simple as pie" and does away with the bulky and sometimes confusing arithmetic of the "5 must" and "10 must" scoring systems, for instance. Here, you have a scoring system which allows the winner of a round from one to five points, and the loser no points. An even round in the California system is listed as no points for either fighter! Now, take the "10 point must" system. The winner of a round must receive ten points, as the name of the system implies. The loser of the round receives nine points or less, with an even round resulting in 10 points for each man.

So, what we have, fight fans, are several 10-9, 10-8 and 10-10 rounds in the "10 must" listed as 1-0- 2-0 and 0-0 respectively in the California system. The only difference is the lesser chance of arithmetical error in the California system.

In closing, I can honestly think of no fairer or simpler system of scoring a boxing bout. Long live the California system.

Bob Torres
Orange, Calif.

SPOLDI CALLS RAY "GREATEST"

I admire Fleischer for his knowledge of boxing and I know Jacobs for his collection of boxing films. I do not agree that the modern boxers (1960) are the best but the 1930-1950 'timers are the best. Having the film of the Dempsey-Tunney fight, 10 rounds, and knowing Ray Robinson, having seen him and *almost* fought him in the Garden (I was lucky to be substituted for by Mitso Grispos) I rate Sugar Ray the best all-around fighter of all time.

Aldo Spoldi
Hollywood, Calif.

Editor's Note—Spoldi's vote had to be thrown out as he answered the wrong question.

BRITON NO LIKE OUR RULES

I have always respected the American way of handling the fight game, but I can't see much sense in four-rope rings, and the three-knockdown rule.

What chance has a boxer of climbing back into a four-roper if he gets knocked through them? As for the ridiculous three-knockdown rule—well, for instance, Floyd Patterson might go down three times from three punches that wouldn't budge George Chuvalo. Yet Floyd might have a KO recorded against him and George might take a heavier pounding over the distance. The number of knockdowns means nothing, so long as a referee intervenes when one fighter is beaten.

T. Ellis
London, England

THE DOCTOR NAMES LEONARD

I nominate Benny Leonard as the greatest fighter of all time. He ruled for a great number of years. He was above all *consistent* . . . as no other boxer. He defeated the best and in his era they were just *great*: Kansas, White, Tendler, Welling, the Mitchells.

Leonard also defeated great *welters* as well, and was a credit to the game.

Dr. F. B. Strozer
New York

NEITHER JACK NOR RAY

The Ring requests readers to vote on the issue of Dempsey vs. Robinson for excitement. I pass up both Dempsey and Robinson.

I was collecting boxing films when Jim Jacobs was reading fairy tales in the third grade. Why is he a historian at 34?

My personal vote is for Rocky Marciano. I have ready everything that The Ring had about him over the years. The computer was correct. When a man compiles a record of 49-0 how can you go against it? Let's stop right here. Who has a better record? Nobody. Then the contest is over. Rocky wins.

Rocky knew one thing — to throw punches, punches and more punches. He used his disadvantage to his greatest advantage and that was stay close and throw bombs. He was only 5 feet 10 inches tall. He fought in a very competitive era when a lot of huge boys were in there. The crowd likes a cute tall boxing type like Tunney. Rocky's style was aggressive.

Robinson lost 21 fights. Servo lost two splits to him. Gavilan lost a split to him. Artie Levine dropped him in Cleveland but the bell saved him. Basilio was never a legitimate middleweight and split with him. Could you picture a Ketchel-Basilio fight? A washed-up Graziano floored him. The real good fast middleweight like Zale he stayed away from. His middleweight opponents were all slow that he fought when he was around 149 pounds. He almost lost the second Turpin fight for a huge cut on top of the eyebrow. Castellani floored him. He talked himself out of the third Basilio match.

Georges Carpentier weighed 167 pounds when he fought Dempsey. Conn's weight was 168 against Louis the first time. These were the correct weights. Firpo was a wild bull and never a fighter.

Cleveland Fan
(name withheld)

The Chatter Box

By JOHN ORT

ODDITY OF THE MONTH—A riot to end all riots broke out in Iran last month when an amateur bout, to decide a local champion, caused a hot dispute between fans. Rumor had it that the favorite had Jewish blood in him. The story was passed around ringside during the bout. By the end of the fight the fans had split into two factions. The favorite won the fight easily. After the decision, the divisive elements pulled guns and blasted away at each other. After the smoke cleared, there were 27 wounded, with seven in grave condition. It could not be classified as an Israeli win, but there are 27 less Arabs on the front lines of Iran.

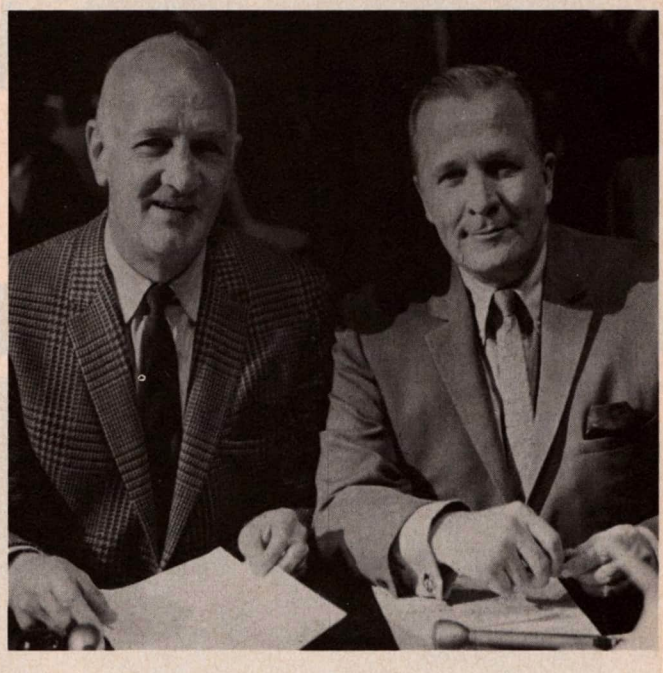
In what might be called a sequel, in Paris, middleweight Jo Gonzalez scored a first-round knockdown over Nessim Cohen, a Jewish Arab. Cohen took a short count, jumped up off the floor and tackled Gonzalez. He then continued to grab and hold Jo until the middle of the fifth round when Gonzalez got fed up and walked out of the ring. Cohen was declared the winner. Nessim stated after the bout that he was applying for French citizenship so that France could have one good pugilist.

Down in Caracas, Venezuela, an interesting show took place. Cruz Marcano and Alfredo Marcano, local featherweights, were on the card. Cruz decisioned Mochila Herrera in 10, while Alfredo kayoed Miguel Herrera. It only goes to prove you can't tell the players without a scorecard.

Former All-American gridder Tom Harmon has joined matchmaker Mickey Davies as commentator on weekly TV bouts in Los Angeles . . . The new California State Commission Chairman is William Houston, who has approved the promoters licenses of Don Chargin, Jim Pusateri and Jimmy Cosenza . . . Joe Cartwright, welterweight from Miami, Fla., returned to the ring recently. He's been out 10 months due to burns caused by a gasoline fire while he was working on his car . . . Light heavyweight king Bob Foster's theatrical career will be handled by Davis and Morgan, Inc. His boxing P.R. man is still Murray Goodman . . . Angelo Dundee is interested in Gary Akers, a good-looking prospect from Lima, Ohio.

An announcement from Chicago states that comedian Buddy Hackett has bought the Chicago franchise in the newly organized International Boxing League . . . Bantamweight Gary Garber of Baltimore, Md., is a graduate of the University of Maryland. He won over 280 amateur bouts, 160 of them kayos . . . Alfredo (Dauber) Jaeger, well-known referee and long-time member of the Wisconsin Boxing Commission, died in Acapulco, Mexico at the age of 76.

The Maine Boxing Commission stripped the New England light heavyweight title from Jimmy McDermott. Pete Riccitelli won the vacant title by defeating Eddie Spence, then lost a decision to judge Ralph Ross, who fined him $500, and gave him a three-month jail term for driving with a suspended license. The conviction and sentence were immediately appealed by Riccitelli, who was released on bail . . . West Coast welterweight Les Vegas' real name is Laszio Vajai . . . He played the violin in his native Hungary, and was considered a child prodigy . . . Featherweight Raul Rojas, who has been idle since last September, is making a comeback . . . Las Vegas fight promoter Bill Miller was criticized for seating arrangements at the Little-Hayward WBA junior middleweight title bout. A complaint was filed by Don Digilio, chairman of the Nevada Athletic Commission . . . San Diego Padres outfielder Ivan Murrell was an amateur boxer around his native Port Limon, Costa Rica. He recorded 23 straight wins . . . Ludger "Kid" Dube, former Canadian featherweight champion in the 1920s, died at 68. He was boxing coach at Yale in the late Twenties . . . Washington State Representative Thomas A. Swayze wants a bill passed to insure a medical plan for boxers in his home state.



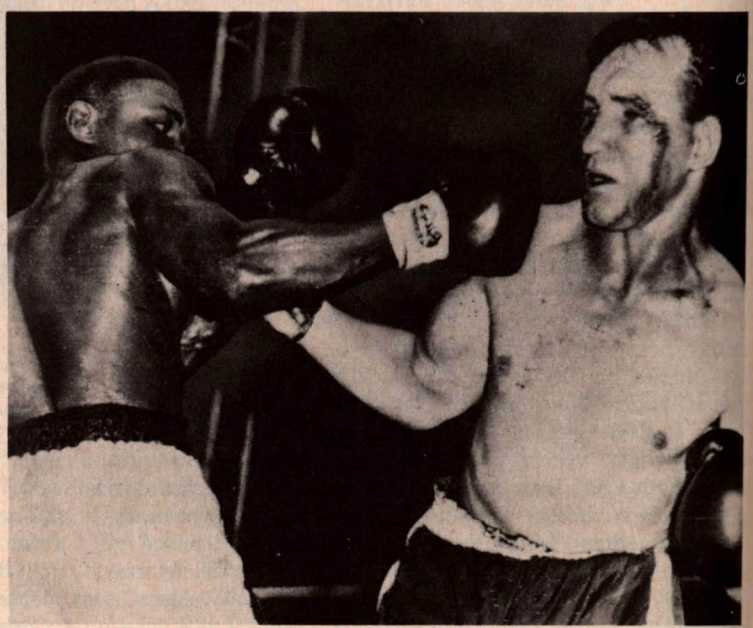
Tom Harmon (left) former grid great at Michigan, has teamed with LA matchmaker Mickey Davies in the telecasting of weekly bouts staged in the California metropolis.

Bobby Gleason, whose gymnasium in the Bronx continues to flourish, also has taken over the old Willie Beecher gym in Brooklyn . . . Word from Stockholm, Sweden has it that the Nordic Council voted 33-24 to ban boxing in its domain. The council represents Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Finland and Iceland . . . John N. McDonald, one of California's first licensed boxing referees, died at the U.S. Naval Hospital in San Diego. He was 81 . . . Canada's first boxing seminar was held last month in Montreal under the direction of Jerry Shears, president of the Canadian Amateur Boxing Association. Key speaker at the seminar was Dr. Max Novich, member of the medical commission of the International Amateur Boxing Association . . . Fresno, California, papers are getting on Pat DeFuria, heavyweight Mac Foster's manager. They want to see Foster meet a rated boxer . . . Heavyweight Boone Kirkman underwent surgery again for a long-time shoulder injury . . . Dr. Bob Gros, who supervises heavyweight Buster Mathis' diets, has a health farm in New York State. Bob calls his place Pawling Health Manor . . . San Diego unveiled its new sports arena with a boxing show . . . Middleweight Gypsy Joe Harris lost his plea to be reinstated by the Pennsylvania Commission . . . Frank Wildman, chairman of the commission, stated that Harris' return to the ring would be very dangerous and could lead to total blindness.

Unbeaten Texas heavyweight Tony Longoria tasted defeat for the first time at the hands of Memphis Al Jones, who scored a two-round kayo over Tony . . . The retirement rumors concerning Jesus Pimentel are premature . . . Manager Harry Kabakoff says Jesus will continue his career . . . Ex-light heavyweight king Willie Pastrano's movie career *(Continued on page 36)*

LATE LEW BURSTON WAS BOXING FIGURE FOR FIFTY YEARS

(Above) The late Lew Burston (right) shown boarding a plane on one of his many European trips several years ago. With him here is Lucien Roupp, manager of Marcel Cerdan, former middleweight champion, whom Burston imported from Europe for Mike Jacobs. (Below) Cerdan at the supreme moment of his career. He has just beaten Tony Zale and become middleweight king on September 21, 1948. Sharing the Frenchman's jubilation is his brother, whom he had not seen in 22 years.



Dick Tiger (left), whom Burston and Jersey Jones served as American representatives, is shown here in action against Gene Fullmer in a title contest in Ibadan, Nigeria. Tiger stopped Fullmer in the seventh round on August 10, 1963, thus giving Dick universal recognition as 160-pound champion.

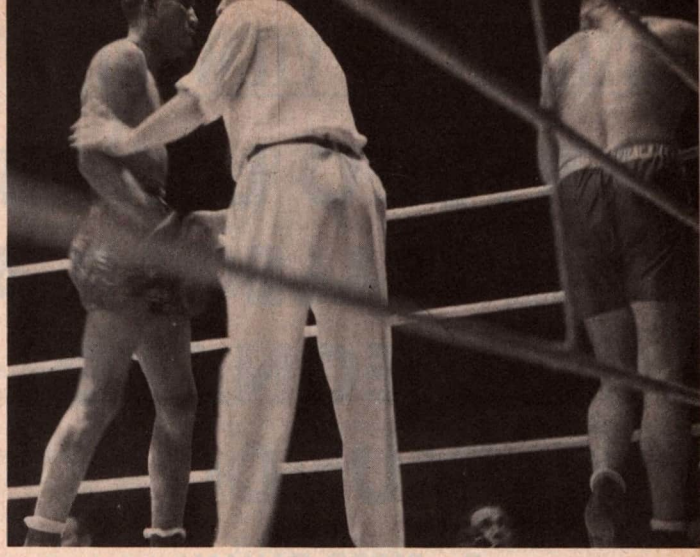
By BILLY WILLIAMS

LEW Burston, one of the most colorful personalities boxing has produced in the last half-century was 74 when the final count was droned over him recently.

Lew was recuperating from a stroke, aggravated by a serious case of diabetes, when a heart attack finished him in a New York hospital.

Few members of the leather-tossing profession have known more active and successful careers than Burston in the fifty years he spent in the trade. Associating with world champions and title contenders had become a specialty with him. He had been identified in various capacities with such kings of the ring as middleweights Marcel Thil and Marcel Cerdan, featherweight Hogan (Kid) Bassey, bantamweights Panama Al Brown and Alphonse Halimi and middleweight-light heavyweight Dick Tiger. Other fighters he maneuvered into unsuccessful championship bids were lightweight Pedro Montanez, and featherweights Danny Frush and Ray Famechon. Burston also played impor-

Here is the bout in which Hogan (Kid) Bassey (right) won the vacant featherweight crown by stopping Cherif Hamia in the 10th round at Paris, France on June 24, 1957.



Marcel Thil was another champion with whom Burston was identified. Here is the Frenchman, about to be declared the winner on a foul in the 11th round in Paris on June 11,1932, as referee Casanova informs Gorilla Jones that the bout is over. Thil was recognized as 160-pound boss by the NBA and IBU.

tant roles in arranging the two historic Ray Robinson-Randy Turpin meetings for the world middleweight championship.

A native of New York's lower East Side, Burston as a youngster had nursed pugilistic ambitions of his own, but his experiences in combat convinced him that managing, training and promoting were infinitely safer ventures. He was in show business for a while with a brother, Sol, a prominent member of the Flo Ziegfeld organization, but dabbled on the side with a young English boxer, Danny Frush, then visiting New York.

In World War I, Lew left show business and the prizefighting industry to serve with the AEF. The end of the war found him in France, and he liked it so well he recided to remain there for a while and return to boxing. He stayed longer than he had planned. Having divorced his American wife, he married a French girl and settled in Paris. That is, he made his home there, but used it only as a base of operations, which carried him all over the European continent, the British Isles and the North African lands of Algeria and Morocco.

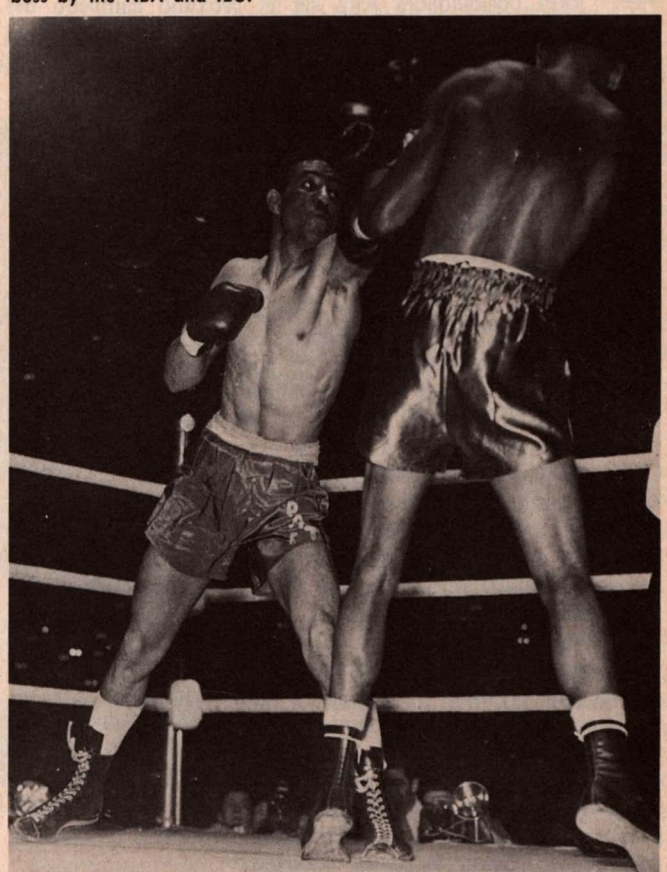
For a while, Lew competed with another American, Jeff Dickson, in promoting in France, but eventually the pair settled their differences and combined forces. They not only promoted in France but in other European spots.

During the summer of 1921 Lew returned to New York, with Frush again in tow, and started campaigning for a world featherweight title match with champion Johnny Kilbane. Burston campaigned so strenuously that he was accommodated in Cleveland, Kilbane's home bailiwick. The result was a bitter disappointment to Burston when Frush was knocked out in seven rounds, but Lew maintained that Kilbane had been guilty of flagrant fouling and that Frush should have won on a disqualification.

Establishing his headquarters in New York, Burston began commuting regularly to and from Europe, and imported an array of alien ringsters who did well for themselves in American and Canadian rings. One of Lew's most prominent and talented importations was a Belgian middleweight, Rene DeVos, who became a popular attraction in big time centers. Several French fighters also were kept busy during their visits to the U.S.

Just before the outbreak of World War II, Burston brought over a young Puerto Rican lightweight, Pedro Montanez, who fought his way into a world championship match with Lou Ambers on the spectacular Carnival of Champions extravaganza promoted by Mike Jacobs in New York's Polo Grounds. Montanez, who had previously defeated Ambers in a non-title meeting in Madison Square Garden, was not so fortunate in the championship affair. He lost the decision.

During World War II, Burston drifted away from boxing to promote dances, featuring big name bands, in Washington, D.C., and Alexandria, Va. With the close of hostilities he returned to



Randolph Turpin (left) is about to connect with a hard left to the head of Sugar Ray Robinson during their London bout of July 10, 1951, in which Turpin captured the middleweight title via a 15-round decision. Burston was instrumental in arranging this bout as well as the return contest in New York in which Robby regained his throne.

boxing as a one-man Foreign Department, Travelers Aid Society and Domestic Relations Court for promoter Jacobs. Because of his international connections he was able to import outstanding performers for Mike's promotions. One of them was the French-Moroccan middleweight, Marcel Cerdan, whose campaign in American rings culminated in his winning the world championship.

Another Burston import, Ray Famechon, wasn't so successful. He lost to Willie Pep in a bid for the featherweight title in Madison Square Garden, but *(Continued on page 36)*

THE LATIN VIEWPOINT

ARTURO LOMELI PUEDE LLEGAR AL CAMPEONATO DEL MUNDO

Por PEDRO GALIANA

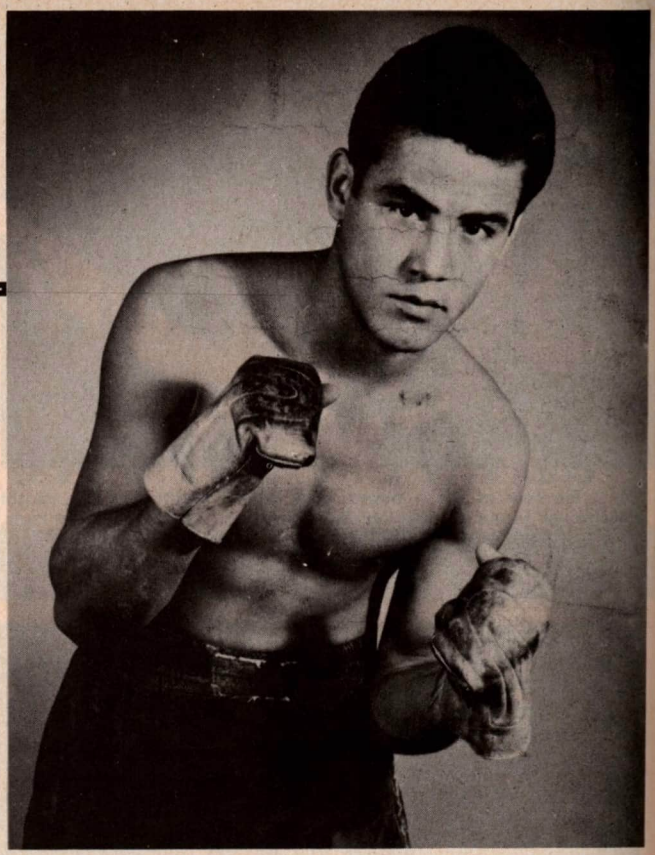
DESPUES de su impresionante victoria sobre Román Blasco, el joven Arturo Lomeli luce ahora con las mejores posibilidades para ser el próximo campeón del mundo en la división ligera . . . En Ciudad México, los que siguen de cerca los asuntos del boxeo, aseguran que Arturo está mejor preparado, para ser campeón, que Mando Ramos . . . A éste le consideran muy joven todavía, aunque cada día se desarrolla más y más . . . José Nieves, el ahijado de Joe Curran, de la Unión Marítima, regresará al cuadrilatero con mayor fuerza que nunca durante el Verano . . . El Telestar Sport Club le tiene en sus planes . . . En estos momentos Tom Bethea, la Bomba, es el mejor hombre en la cuadra de Gil Clancy, después de Emile Griffith, desde luego . . .

Una vez que el Telestar Sport Club establezca definitivamente las luchas en el "Sunnyside Garden" de Queens, N.Y., sus dirigentes tratarán de abrir otro centro pugilístico y de luchas en Union City, New Jersey . . . La empresa de George Albert está considerando la pelea de Baby Luis con Ismael Laguna . . . Pero todavía no se ha decidido si se escenificará en Inglewood, California o en el Sunnyside Garden de New York . . . Mientras tanto, Ernesto Azúa, que estuvo asociado con Oscar Martínez Conill en La Habana, en boxeo y luchas, ha establecido oficialmente sus actividades en San Juan, Puerto Rico, anunciando amplia temporada para el Verano en combinación con el Telestar Sport Club . . . Ernesto ha titulado su organización la "Caribbean Telestar Corporation" . . . Y ya tiene concedidas oficialmente las fechas del 19 de Julio, 2 de Agosto y 30 de Agosto para presentar programas de boxeo y luchas a los fanáticos boricuas . . . La misma empresa de Azúa, ligada al Telestar, ofrecerá programas especiales en Venezuela, Colombia y Ecuador . . . También llegarán hasta Aruba, donde Bobby Maduro, asistente latino del Comisionado de Beisbol, tiene anunciada para muy pronto el inicio de actividades deportivas de carreras de caballos, frontón de jai alai y boxeo.

El año pasado se habló de presentar un gran programa especial en el Singer Bowl Stadium, en Flushing, New York, pero dificultades técnicas impidieron escenificar las carteleras . . . Este año, sin embargo, todo está resuelto y el matchmaker Oscar M. Conill habla de combinar varias peleas estelares de categoría.

El Chino Govín es el trainer de boxeo que más viaja en el mundo . . . Recientemente estuvo en Thailand, después pasó a San Francisco, luego pasó por New York rumbo a Roma y regresó rápidamente a New York, para seguir hacia Los Angeles. Lo más curioso del caso es que Govín tiene fijada su residencia en Miami.

Joe Labacsewski, manager de Ulises Jiménez, no quedó nada satisfecho del fallo que dieron en el Arena Plaza, de Secaucus, N.J., en contra de su ahijado cuando se enfrentó recientemente con Pat Murphy . . . Dice que "ninguno de sus muchachos volverá a pelear allá en el futuro" . . .



ARTURO LOMELI

René González, comentarista hispano de boxeo de New Jersey, cree que, efectivamente, Ulises mereció el fallo en la pelea a 8 rounds que sostuvo contra el irlandesito . . . Del mismo modo que todo el mundo está de acuerdo en que Roberto Dávila fué objeto de muy pobre decisión en la pelea que sostuvo recientemente en el Madison Square Garden contra Chuck Wepner . . .

Chegui Torres se mantien eya en diario entrenamiento en el gimnasio de Gil Clancy, en la calle 28 de Manhattan, a fin de estar "ready" para el primer contrario que le salga al paso . . . Cain Young, su mentor, está dispuesto a depositar $75,000 dólares de garantía para una pelea por la faja de los pesos semipesados contra el titular Bob Foster . . . Desde San Juan, Puerto Rico, habla de una pelea entre Chegui y Foster, bajo la tutela de Félix Zabala, ofreciendo la misma garantía; pero, Young prefiere mejor el combate en New York . . . Chegui, que ganó la faja mundial a Willie Pastrano en Marzo de 1965, perdiéndola un año después a manos de Dick Tiger en el Garden, estaba listo para un combate de revancha después de haberse impuesto decisivamente en una pelea contra el campeón de Australia, en Melbourne, pero, cayó en el gimnasio, lesionándose.

José Legra insiste en que le den una nueva oportunidad para optar por la faja de los pesos plumas . . . Kid Tunero, mentor de Legra, recuerda todavía la decisión de Londres y cree que José se impondrá fácilmente en un nuevo combate . . . Hablando de revanchas, Willie Muñoz también quiere la suya frente a David Meléndez, el ahijado de Many González que entrena Victor Valle . . . Muchos consideran a David (El Toro), el mejor peleador de los dos, pero, si usted pregunta a Carlos Ortiz, que es el inspirador de Willie, éste le dirá que su ahijado no peleó frente a David como real- *(Continued on page 64)*

UP AND DOWN

Old Broadway

By SAM TAUB

TINTYPE of one of our famous boxing referees, Mark Conn, 30-year veteran whose career encompasses more than 1,000 skirmishes, including seven world championship scraps.

In high school, Mark excelled in baseball and basketball. He played on the varsity for two years. He won the Golden Gloves lightweight championship and was awarded the Yale Rubin Memorial Trophy at Madison Square Garden in 1936 for his outstanding performance and sportsmanship. He was a member of the United States International team which boxed in London. Mark was rated one of the best amateurs ever developed.

After studying for a Bachelors and Masters degree in Physical Education, Conn went to work for various athletic clubs, camps, playgrounds and community centers in New York City.

Conn entered the Army in 1941 as a private at Fort Knox, Kentucky. He immediately showed outstanding ability and leadership which earned him the assignment of athletic director at the camp, where he coached and trained many top-notch boxers.

In 1942, Mark obtained a commission and was assigned to General Claire Chenault with the Flying Tigers in Asia. He did such a fine job that eventually he was promoted to the rank of Major. After the war, Conn embarked on a career with the New York City Board of Education as a supervisor of recreation programs. After years of hard work, Mark was elevated to director of athletic and recreation programs for more than 500 school community centers in New York City. In this post for the past nine years, Conn supervises more than 3,000 teachers who conduct recreation programs for over 200,000 youths and adults throughout the five boroughs.

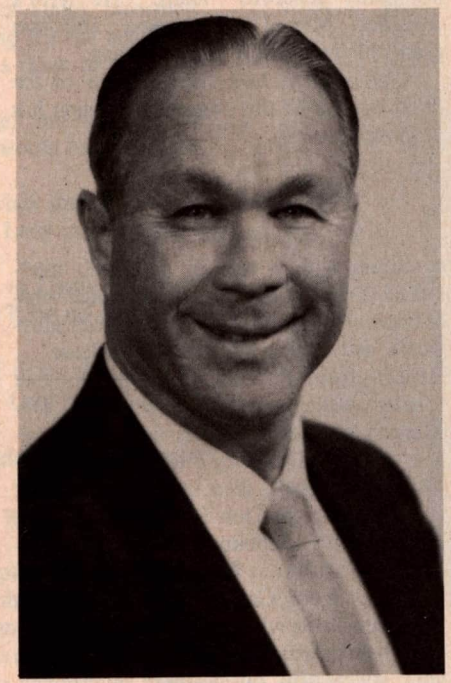
Mark, besides refereeing in Madison Square Garden, Yankee Stadium and other New York City rings, has worked in Wilmington, Delaware; Louisville, Kentucky; Salt Lake City, Utah; Calcutta, India and Shanghai, China . . . Some of the championship fights he handled include Joe Louis-Ezzard Charles, Ike Williams-Jesse Flores, Jake LaMotta-Tiberio Mitri and Kid Gavilan-Billy Graham.

Conn has also refereed the first middleweight title bout between Nino Benvenuti and Emile Griffith. Last year, in the New Garden, Mark was the third man when Dick Tiger lost his 175-pound diadem to Bob Foster.

A special thrill to Conn during the past year was his refereeing a scrap between former featherweight title rivals Willie Pep and Sandy Saddler, at the St. John's Orphan's Home in Rockaway Beach, N.Y.

Besides his activities with the Board of Education, Conn finds time to do lecturing at spots like Columbia College and St. Francis.

Conn's wife, Boots, is social director at the Silver Gull Beach Club, Breezy Point, N.Y.



MARK CONN

Together, they have been winners of numerous dance contests. The Conns reside at Belle Harbor, New York, with their two children, Frank and Debbie.

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Dean Chance, pitching ace for the Minnesota Twins, pulled a new one. Years ago, Art Shires, loquacious first baseman for the White Sox, turned fighter. Now for the first time, a ball player has turned promoter and manager. Chance brought his light heavyweight, Ray Anderson to New York to present him to the press. Ray, who is 24, 6 feet 2 and fights at 175 pounds, was born in Anniston, Alabama, on Aug. 31, 1944. The Chance outfit is known as Ohio Boxing Inc. Anderson, former Ohio State University product, married a girl from that college. Chickie Ferrara, famous trainer, has been hired to look after Ray.

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Popular Broadway figure and pal of Young McGowan, Solly Seeman and K.O. Phil Kaplan is little Jimmy Rappaport, who had more than 150 amateur fights and 120 pro scraps. Rappaport hailed from the East Side and was amateur and Metropolitan bantam king of New York State in 1926. He boxed from 1927 to 1932. His managers were the late Jimmy Bronson and Lew Brown. Among the pros whom Jimmy tangled with were Young Zazzarino, Joe Leone, Joe Malone, Eddie Reed and Kid Anselm. Rappaport is now with the Mayfair Towers, 15 W. 72nd St., N.Y. His brother, Charley Rapp, is in the entertainment field.

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It was good to see Izzy Blanc, popular trainer, back on the job again in a recent Garden show after a long hospital siege. He's well liked in the trade.

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Among recent fistic visitors of yesteryear seen at Jack Dempsey's was his 1927 rival Jack Sharkey, the Boston Gob, here in New York in connection with a sportsman's show at the Coliseum.

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Tommy Loughran, in Dempsey's several times weekly, reminded us that the coming Dec. 19 marks his 50th anniversary since his first fight, staged in Philadelphia. He scored a two-round kayo over Eddie Carter. Loughran wound up his career in 1937. He was managed by the late Joe Smith. Tommy now lives at the New York Athletic Club and visits Philly about once a month where he still has two brothers and a sister.

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Al Reid, former Bronx featherweight, has been named a boxing judge by the N.Y. State Athletic Commission. Jack Pepitone, of Elmont, L.I., is a newly appointed member of the inspector's staff.

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Johnny Green, looking as trim as in the days when he was active as a bantam, is still very much on the go. Born on Avenue B and brought up in New York's Harlem, Johnny's first amateur bout, of which he

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LATE LEW BURSTON WAS BOXING FIGURE FOR FIFTY YEARS

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otherwise he fared very well in a series of bouts with other top-rater 126-pounders in the U.S. and Canada.

Teamed with Jersey Jones, Burston also handled Charley Burley, the talented Pittsburgh welterweight-middleweight, but they were unable to inveigle champions into the ring with him.

During his connections with promoters Jacobs and Jim Norris, Burston imported Bruce Woodcock, then British heavyweight champion, for a Madison Square Garden appearance, and a French team of middleweight Charley Humez, featherweight Cherif Hamia and bantamweight Alphonse Halimi. Britishers who came to New York to be looked after by Burston and Jones included Welsh lightweight Cyril Gallie and former British middleweight champion Johnny Sullivan, whose exciting style made him a popular attraction on national television programs.

Burston and Jones also were instrumental in inducing the ill-fated Australian middleweight, Dave Sands, to invade the U.S. for a series of bouts.

With Jones as his partner, Burston helped to maneuver Hogan (Kid) Bassey of Nigeria into an elimination tournament to determine a successor to the retired Sandy Saddler as world featherweight champion. Bassey survived the elimination rounds to become titleholder.

Among other fighters who campaigned in the U.S. under the Burston-Jones banner were two Trinidadians, middleweight Yolande Pompey and welterweight Hector Constance.

It was through their success with Bassey that the combination became American representatives of another Nigerian, Dick Tiger, who earned the rare distinction of winning and losting two world titles, middleweight and light heavyweight, in American rings.

Burston's many connections made through his boxing activities qualified him for a variety of roles during his tenures with the Jacobs and Norris regimes. He helped to organize the first New York Managers Guild, and he was a sort of "father confessor" to members of the trade who had problems to solve. Getting passports for boxers going overseas, and arranging for their transportation, constituted other features of his many diversified activities.

Lew's main weakness was an inability to turn a deaf ear to a "hard-luck" story. He was a soft touch for anybody in financial trouble. If he could have collected even a fair fraction of the "advances" made to other members of the fistic fraternity, he would have died a wealthy man. It was seldom, indeed, that Lew was repaid for his many generous "loans." He left a daughter, Mrs. Hazel Jerome, and two grandchildren, Jamie and Jonathan.

A grand guy, Lew Burston, one of the finest operatives this rugged profession has yet produced.

Toronto Stockbroker Fills Florida Card, Wins Impressive Six

Miami Beach, Fla. — On the Menning-Brennan card, a surprise star, Julio Mandell, a visiting stockbroker from Toronto, filled the six-round void of Chris Dundee and outboxed Buddy Taylor, 139½, Jacksonville, to capture the praise of many ringsiders.

The slender Canadian, originally from Brazil, was in his (19th) pro duel will continue his vacation to these parts outside the ring.

Mandell, who represented Canada in the Pan-American Games and was amateur lightweight champion of Canada, weighed 140½.

THE CHATTER BOX

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continues with a role of a pseudo intellectual in Film Artists International production of "The Grove." It stars Rita Hayworth and is slated for a June release . . . Reports from Phoenix, Arizona, say that former welterweight champ Tony DeMarco's cocktail lounge is doing big business . . . Jack Dempsey's ex-sparring partner, James Lyall, died in Belmont, Calif. . . . Middleweight Don Lutz of Milwaukee is back from Vietnam and is ready to resume his career . . . Reuben Cortez, a welterweight from Canastota, N.Y., toils in the onion fields when not boxing . . . Mexican bantamweight Reuben Olivares is a very succeessful businessman in Mexico. He owns an upholstery factory, two salvage trucks, two cabs and real estate. His new enterprise is a formula for growing hair . . . Buddy Ely, a member of the World Boxing Historians Assn., is also boxing instructor for the Baltimore, Md. police department . . . Promoter Paul Ruddy of Scranton, Pa. is doing a fine job of bringing boxing back to his fair city . . . Ex-heavyweight king Sonny Liston was fined $175 for reckless driving in Las Vegas, Nev. . . . Veteran fight manager Sid Tenner of Sacramento, Calif. has added lightweight Freddie Short to his stable.

Former heavyweight champion Joe Louis traveled to Milwaukee, Wis., to lead the Evangelist Temple in prayer . . . Millionaire Howard Hughes is backing an attempt to bring the 1970 Golen Gloves final to Las Vegas, Nev. . . . A story out of Portland, Ore. has it that light heavyweight Mike Seyler has recovered from a broken neck suffered in an automobile accident six months ago and is ready to resume his career . . . Grant Butcher, one-time AAU champion, still wants to fight at the age of 41. He was booked for a bout until someone discovered his age, to the embarrassment of the promoter . . . Southern California chief inspector Clayton Frye will retire soon . . . A Bobo Olson-Floyd Patterson bout is being contemplated for Sweden this summer . . . The newest member of the California Athletic Commission is UCLA All-American tackle Charles O. Doud.

Danny Lopez, brother of welterweight Ernie Lopez, has the boxing bug. He fought in the Las Vegas Golden Gloves, representing Utah in the 112 lb. novice class . . . Kid Curley, Buffalo lightweight of old, died at the age of 80 . . . Artie Dorrell, one of the most promising fighters to come out of Texas, is now employed by the Western Security Company of Tyler, Texas . . . Artie campaigned in New York in the late Thirties and early Forties. He also appeared in several pictures with the late John Garfield.

ROSE FINDS RUDKIN TOUGH BUT TITLE NOT IN JEOPARDY

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calls proclaiming the same thing.

One man called up to say that, after viewing the fight again, he was prepared to wager $1,000 that Rose landed more punches than did Rudkin in the last round.

That was the contentious round, when Rose fell apart from weight-making and tonsillitis. That was the round which practically everyone said that if Rudkin did not win another round he won that one.

The film of the fight showed otherwise. Rose won the 15th, as he won the others except the 13th, which was even, as I saw it, and as thousands of others since have seen it.

The fight was telecast live to all states of Australia except Western Australia.

The bout was cleanly contested throughout. Not once did referee Vic Patrick, who did a great job, have occasion to warn or even speak to either boxer. Theirs was a lesson in sportsmanship.

To sum up, Rudkin is a good little fighter-boxer, but Rose is a champion.

READ THE RING AND RING WRESTLING

Jersey Jones Recalls:

JEFF SMITH'S "GRUDGE"

OF the hundreds, nay thousands, of boxers this commentator has known through the years, there have been very few, if any, who'd rate above the late middleweight Jeff Smith, the old Bayonne, N.J., Globe-Trotter, for ability, decency and sportsmanship. Only once can we recall modest, soft-spoken Jeff ever being "mad" at an opponent, and he had ample reason that time.

It was during the summer of 1923, and the "victim" of Jeff's grudge was another gentleman boxer, clever Tommy Loughran, later world light heavyweight champion.

Two of the finest ringmen of the era, Smith and Loughran had gone 10 rounds in Scranton, with little to choose between them at the finish. It was during the no-decision era, when managers made a habit of rushing to the nearest telegraph office and wiring to their home newspapers that their fighters had won.

After the bout in Scranton, "Papa Bob" Levy, who trailed around with Loughran and his manager, Joe Smith, informed Jeff's manager, Al Lippe, that he was heading for the telegraph office and would it be all right if he wired a draw to the New York and Philadelphia dailies.

A draw seldom hurts a fighter's prestige, and usually can lead to a return bout. So Lippe told Levy it would be okay with him.

Imagine Lippe's and Smith's indignation when they arrived in New York and read that Loughran had won. Levy had "crossed" them.

"That was a dirty trick," Jeff complained to Lippe. "Get me Loughran again, and I'll make certain there'll be no chance of another trick like this being pulled on us."

The return match was arranged for one of those all-star cards that Herman (Muggsy) Taylor and Bobby Gunnis specialized in staging in the Philadelphia baseball parks.

Bouts in Philadelphia were limited to eight rounds in those days, but that distance satisfied Smith.

If ever a fighter was determined to win a fight, and win it decisively, this was it.

The afternoon of the bout, Lippe was approached by Maxie (Boo Boo) Hoff, who was promoting a show the following week, and for his headline number he had signed Mike McTigue in his first appearance in an American ring as world light heavyweight champion. Mike had won his laurels a few months previously from Battling Siki in Dublin.

"I know how Jeff feels about tonight's fight," said Boo Boo. "I only hope he doesn't wreck my show. I need a local opponent for McTigue, and Loughran is it. Even if Jeff wins, I couldn't use him, since he's an out-of-towner."

"It isn't up to me," Lippe assured Hoff. "I'll speak to Jeff, but he'll have to decide for himself."

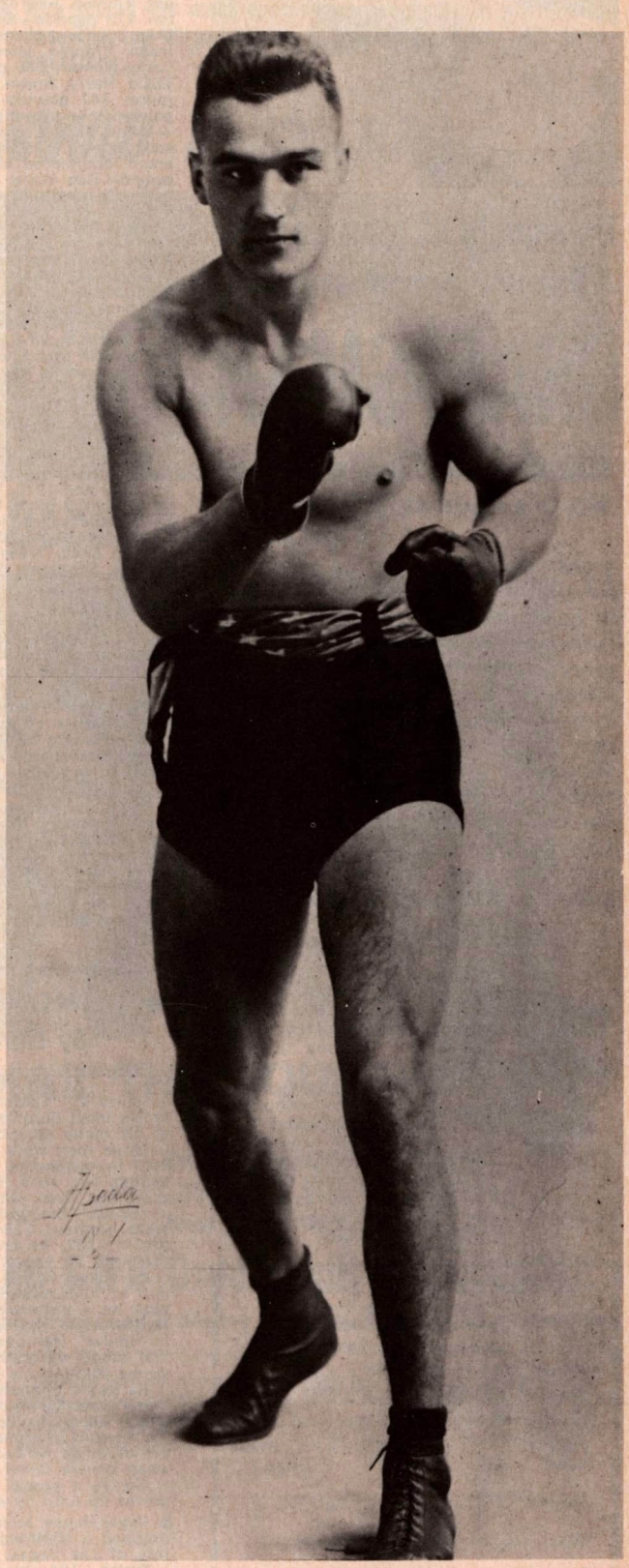
Lippe put the idea up to Smith. "Boo Boo is a swell guy," he said, "and I'd like to help him, but it's up to you."

That evening, Hoff visited Smith's dressing room, and asked Lippe what Jeff had decided.

"You're putting Jeff in a ticklish spot," Al said. "Naturally, he's out to win, but he'll try not to hurt your show."

It was, indeed, a ticklish spot for Jeff. But he made good his promise to Hoff.

We've seen some masterful performances in the ring, but hardly anything to match Smith's *(Continued on page 61)*



Jeff Smith, the Bayonne Globe-Trotter, who turned in masterful exhibition in beating Tommy Loughran in Philadelphia.

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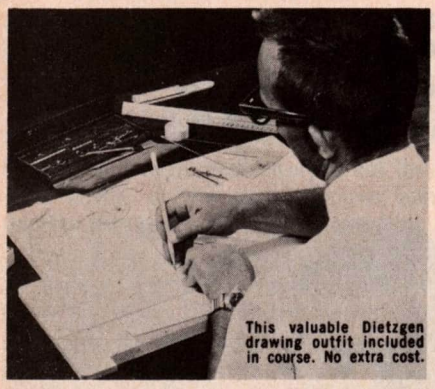

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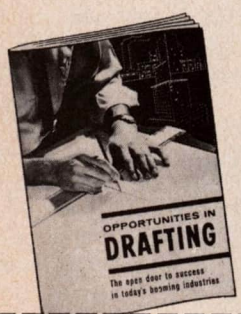

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N.J. GOLDEN GLOVES CHAMPS CROWNED

By Ronnie "Burns" Bouse

Elizabeth—The Trenton P.A.L. boxing team won every novice division title, except the 175-pound class. A team to represent New Jersey in the nationals in Kansas City, Mo., will be chosen.

Novice Class Champs: 112 pounds—Fred Bryant, Trenton, won decision over Rad Zayes, Trenton. 118 pounds—Bill Berry, Trenton, outpointed Mike Johnson, Trenton. 126 pounds—John Robinson, Trenton, won decision over Glen Suber, Camp Kilmer. 135 pounds—John Deal, Trenton, TKOd Harry Brown, Trenton, 1:31 of the first round. 147 pounds—Harry Smith, Trenton, outpointed Vince Washington, Paterson. 160 pounds—Ralph Bishop, Trenton, outpointed Larry Johnson, Newark. 175 pounds—Dennis Wilberly, Paterson, outpointed Mario Rosa, Paterson. Heavyweight—Bob Ware, Trenton, TKOd Bob Cardamore, Elizabeth, in second round.

Open Class Champs: 112 pounds—Elijah Cooper, Paterson, won decision over Leroy Holden, Newark. 118 pounds—John Glover, Trenton, TKOd Cal Thompson, Paterson, in third round. 126 pounds—Rick Thomas, Lauretton, outpointed Dennis Hawes, Newark. 135 pounds—Joe Grier, Paterson, won on TKO in first over Harvy Fair, Elizabeth. 147 pounds—Jeff Homes, Newark, won on TKO over Dom De Filipo, Laurelton, in the second round. 160 pounds—Al McCoy, Newark, outpointed Will Suton, Camp Kilmer. 175 pounds—Matt Frazier, Shore Boys Club, TKOd Billy Turner, Asbury, in the third. Heavyweight—General Lennox, Lakewood, outpointed James Kirk, Cliffwood.

▶ **Paterson**—Ring 9, of Passaic and Bergen Counties, recently elected a new slate of officers for 1969 and 1970. They are Jersey Jones, President; Charlie Blood Benanti, First Vice President; Olin Dutrich, 2nd Vice President; Stewart Levine, Secretary; Alex Doyle, Financial Secretary; Champ Snell, Treasurer; Sonny Soccio and Jim Kollark, Sergeants At Arms.

▶ **Bayonne**—New Jersey heavyweight champ Chuck Wepner looking for bigger and better things to happen since he won a big one over South American heavy Roberto Davila at the Felt Forum in MSG. Big Chuck won in good fashion, though hampered by a cut eye and an injured mitt.

▶ **New York**—Heavyweight Bob Wagner of Fort Lee, recently discharged from the U.S. Army, took up where he left off before he entered the service and scored a six-round victory over Marty Block in a special prelim at the Audubon Ballroom.

▶ **Wenatchee, Wash**—Two Ton Tony Galento, former New Jersey heavy contender, aged 60, passing through the State of Washington on a speaking tour, told a large crowd that he could easily whip every heavyweight around today. Tony once wrestled an octopus to death in a Seattle aquarium, although unkind critics said the octopus died of fright.

MONTANA MITTS

By Harold Manning

James F. "Spider" McCallum, who was Montana's most durable boxer, was found murdered in his home recently.

Three men were apprehended and are being held in connection with the slaying. Survivors include two sons, four daughters, a sister and a brother, Oren, who also was a boxer.

"Spider" first gained notice when he won the state amateur 118-lb. crown in 1931. Turning pro in 1932, he crowded about 250 bouts into the next 30 years of leather-pushing.

He boxed in five different weights from bantam to middleweight. However, he reached his peak as a welterweight, boxing the best in the Northwest in that division.

"Spider" was one fighter who loved to fight. The blood of ancient Celtic gladiators flowed strong through his veins.

He was a promoter's savior, filling in on cards many times on short notice. Never was he fussy about whom his opponent was going to be or the amount of money he was to receive. A number of times he boxed twice on the same card when boxers failed to show.

Always a crowd pleaser, he didn't hang the gloves up until he was nearly 50 years of age.

▶ Roger Rouse, Montana's light heavy contender, dropped a 10-round split decision to Eddie Parrote of Las Vegas, Nevada, in that city.

Rouse, 174, was down for the mandatory eight-count in the eighth round. However, Parrote, 172½, could not finish the veteran.

WESTERN MICHIGAN NOTES

By Leonard LaBarre

Detroit—Jr. welterweight Ronnie Harris continues his winning ways. He journeyed to Indianapolis and scored his second impressive kyo win in that city within five weeks. Ronnie just had too many guns for Puerto Rico's Jesus Alicea, stopping him in the third round.

Olympic hero Al Jones made his pro debut on the Leotis Martin-Alvin Lewis card in Detroit. He stopped Indiana's Charley Lewis in three rounds, showing a strong left jab. He was switched to a right-hand stance, after having fought his entire amateur career as a southpaw.

Jones was the National AAU and National Golden Gloves middleweight champion, and, like Ronnie Harris, won an Olympic Bronze medal, losing a controversial decision to the eventual Gold Medal winner.

In another middleweight bout on the Martin-Leotis card, a local favorite, Denny Stiletto, kayoed fellow townsman Dawson Smith in round one. Also in the middleweight division, in the best bout of the evening, Tommy Hannah, Detroit, decisioned Howard Youngblood, Lima, Ohio, in five rounds.

Irish Mike O'Riley, Windsor, stopped Leroy Youngblood, Pittsburgh, in a spirited welterweight contest which ended in the second round. The crowd was very enthusiastic about Riley's crowd pleasing style of fighting.

In a heavyweight fight, Chuck Haynes, Detroit, stopped Gene Hunt in the second.

▶ **Flint, Mich.**—Joe Byrd, Sam Ivory and J. W. Jackson, all of Flint, journeyed to Lima, Ohio for the show headlined by Rufus Brassell vs Mac Harrison. Byrd fought the undefeated Billy Morris, Pittsburgh, in the six round semi-windup. It was an action heavyweight fight with Morris winning a close decision. Jackson and Lyle Randolph, Akron, in a jr. welterweight fight, had the fans screaming, but Jackson ran out of gas in the third round. Ivory, 145, lost a split decision to Terry Reed, Akron, in four rounds. Brassell kayoed Harrison in the sixth round of the main. George McGee, Toledo, also won a four-rounder on th ecard, stopping Joey Blair of Akron.

Taylor Smith's promising young lightweight prospect, Johnny Cool, was inducted into the Armed Forces . . . Doug McLeod's brother, Johnny, may lace them on again. He recently returned from Viet Nam . . . Andy Brown is the matchmaker for the small club shows being held at the Fairgrounds in Detroit.

ZEROING IN ON ZAMBIA

By Doug Miller

Both the boxing and wrestling seasons got off to fine starts here.

A new promoter, Nandi Kovacs, drew a full house with his inaugural wrestling card at Luanshya, and the crowd witnessed some interesting entertainment in the main event. Josef Kovacs of Hungary, billed as the European heavyweight champion, was too strong for the local entry, Barry Lindo. After five rounds in which he absorbed severe punishment, Lindo failed to come out for the sixth and final session.

After his successful venture in Luanshya, promoter Kovacs shifted his next card to the nation's capital, Lusaka, and was again rewarded with a capacity attendance. Josef Kovacs was again the main attraction, pitted against the Zambian champion, Fred Coates. Kovacs, noted for his rough tactics, was given some of his own medicine when Coates roughed him up outside the ring in the fifth round, and when the principals failed to return to the ring, the referee disqualified them both.

In the semi-final, Barry Lindo drew with Tony Laslo of Sweden, the rivals each scoring one fall.

▶ In boxing, I promoted the fourth annual Rotary tournament in Luanshya. In a thrilling bout for the vacant Zambian welterweight crown, clever Dan Durelle stopped Lovemore Gatsi in the fifth round. Durelle was belted around in the first round, and if Gatsi had had the necessary experience he probably would have won then and there. But Durelle recovered from that pasting and gradually assumed charge, jolting his opponent repeatedly with stiff rights.

In supporting bouts, National lightweight champion August Jim conceded eight pounds to Soldier McNeil Fwambo, but succeeded in kayoing the soldier in round two. George Chisenga won an excellent six-round decision over tough, durable Louis Muchimwa.

BOXING QUIZ

1: Which professional fighter fought the most bouts?
Ans: Abraham Hollandersky, 1,309 fights.

2: Which heavyweight set record by fighting three main events in three different arenas on one day?
Ans: Battling Levinsky, on New Year's Day, 1915.

3: Which ex-heavyweight champion holds the record for being floored?
Ans: Floyd Patterson, 17 times in title contests.

4: How many champions have received Ring Magazine gold championship belts?
Ans: 227

5: Which champion engaged in the most title fights?
Ans: Joe Louis, ex-heavyweight champ—27.

6: Who scored the most consecutive knockouts in pro boxing?
Ans: The top three: Lamar Clark, 43; Billy Fox, 43; Henry Armstrong, 27.

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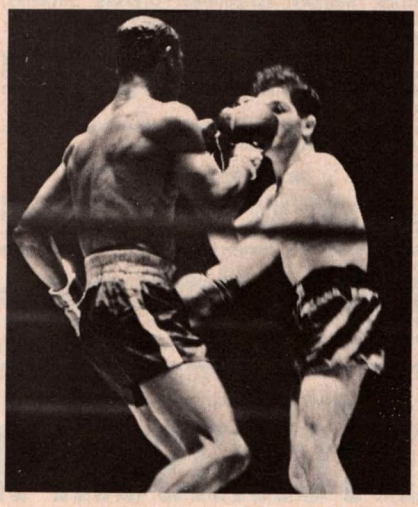

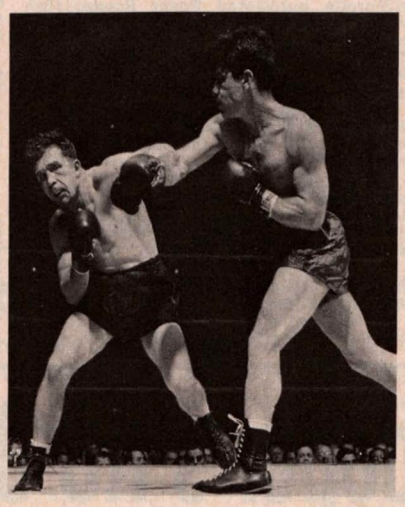

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WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

For the Month Ending April 20, 1969

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Jerry Quarry outpointed Buster Mathis, 12. Oscar Bonavena kayoed Luis Pires, eight. Henry Cooper kayoed Piero Tomasoni, five. Jack Bodell stopped Billy Walker, eight.

Tony Doyle stopped Wes Craven, six. Leotis Martin outpointed Al Blue Lewis, 10. Tony Gagliaro stopped Danny Swears, three. Memphis Al Jones halted Tony Longoria, two.

Cleveland Williams outpointed Charley Polite, 10. Richie Gosha kayoed Bill Schellhas, two. Joe Roman outpointed Jack O'Halloran, 10. Bobby Felstein outpointed Tommy Clark, 10.

Jeff Merritt outpointed LeRoy Williams, eight. Rufus Brassell stopped Mack Harrison, five. Johnny Griffin stopped Al Banks, four; outpointed Bob Mashburn, four. Billy Morris stopped Gene Hunt, two.

Hans Jorgan Jacobson halted Vittorio Verrengia, five. Don Waldheim outpointed Al Brooks, six; Billy Marquart, four. Charlie Reno defeated Andy Nacosti, six. Doug Hogan kayoed Mike Bruce, three.

Billy Morris outpointed Joe Byrd, six. Chuck Haynes outpointed Gene Hunt, four. Larry Middleton won from LeRoy Williams, six. John Caruso kayoed Tonga Kid, three.

Billy Williams beat Bobo Ford, four. Chuck Wepner outpointed Roberto Davila, 10. Steve Carter outpointed Steve Grant, eight. Jose Llanes kayoed Ken Campbell, one.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Tom Bogs outpointed Antonio Angular, 10. Johnny Persol outpointed Chuck Leslie, 10. William Burton outpointed Joe Burns, 10. Ray Anderson kayoed Billy Tiger, one and Marion Connor, two.

Eddie Porette outpointed Roger Rouse, 10. Larry Buck stopped Billy Marsh, six. Jimmy Ralston outpointed Teddy Wright, 10; kayoed Billy Tiger, two. Ronnie Wilson outpointed Joe Hopkins, 10.

Len Hutchins outpointed Ned Edwards, four. Ruben Figueroa beat Angel Viera, four. Pete Riccitelli outpointed Eddie Spence, 10. Tony Lampron outpointed Jimmy Cherico, eight.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Freddie Little outpointed Stanley Hayward, 15 (WBA junior middleweight title). Benny Briscoe halted Jose Gonzales, five. Jimmy Lester stopped Tito Marshall, four; Johnny Wise, six. Gomeo Brennan stopped Rocky Hernandez, nine.

Ralph McCoy kayoed Danny Perez, five. Andy Heilman stopped Mike Pusateri, two. George Cooper kayoed Charlie Austin, seven. Benkei Fujikura kayoed Johnny Williams, four.

Tommy Bethea outpointed Teddy Pagan, 10. Hilton Whitaker and Dave Dittmar drew, six. Sal Martinez stopped Cassius Clay Scott, seven. Dick Duffy outpointed Pierre Fourie, 10.

Alvin Phillips stopped Richard Young, seven. Harry Scott beat Tom Jensen, six. Billy Braggs outpointed Doug McLeod, eight. Julio Figueroa outpointed Danny Garcia, eight.

Bobby Phillips outpointed Domingo Ortiz, eight. Pat O'Connor outpointed Bob Reilly, six; Ray Christian, six. Billy Hester outpointed Ronnie Wilson, 10. Cyclone Barth stopped Bobby Jordan, seven.

Bobby O'Brien beat Johnny Gillio, six and drew with Steve Shevlin, six. Joe Cokes outpointed Larry Brasier, six. Duane Horseman beat Jesse Green, six; Bob Reilly, six. Walter Opshinsky stopped Toni Cali, one.

Willie Rivera beat Richard Winfield, four. King David Wright outpointed Ray Hernandez, four. Steven Papp kayoed Cyclone Wynters, one.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Percy Pugh outpointed Manny Burgo, 10. Ernie Lopez outpointed Chu Chu Garcia, 10. Billy Backus stopped C. L. Lewis, seven. Mushashi Nakano halted Fel Pedranza, four.

Jean Josselin stopped Valerio Nunez, three. Hedgemon Lewis kayoed Miguel Hernandez, one. David Melendez outpointed Willie Munoz, 10. Oscar Alvarado stopped Miguel Aguilar, three.

Willie Ludick kayoed Frazer Toweel, 10 (South African junior middleweight title). Marcel Bizien outpointed Ralph Correa; Dorman Crawford, eight. Buddy Boggs outpointed Jose Myers, eight. Jerry Pelligrini outpointed Johnny Brooks, 10.

Grady Ponder outpointed Ernesto Ortega, 10. Patrick Murphy outpointed Ulysses Jimenez, eight. Herbie Lee outpointed Freddie Cobb, eight. Cassius Green halted Donnie Spencer, seven.

Vern Mason stopped Dot Dews, six. Gil King stopped Sam Ivory, six. Bobby Watts defeated Teddy Cooper, six. Les Vegas outpointed Ben Joseph, 10.

Tony LaBarbara outpointed Tom Kristan, six. Vince Cala beat Julio Mandell, six.

JR. WELTERWEIGHTS

Bruno Arcari won on disqualification from Adrian Davis, four. Sandro Lopopolo halted Quintino Soarez, two. Peter Quinn kayoed Preban Rasmussen, two. Mike Cortez beat Dave Mosby, six.

Bobo Akerson stopped Herbie Walker, three. Charlie Scott stopped Kid Falu, one. Ruben Cortes halted Danny Corcoran, two. Felix Jusino defeated Don Birtch twice, four.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Ismael Laguna stopped Curley Aguirre, four. Pedro Carassco halted Tore Magnussen, three (European title). Frankie Narvaez outpointed Chango Carmona, 10. Arturo Lomeli outpointed Ramon Blanco, 10.

Ken Buchanan outpointed Jose Luis Torcia, eight. Jaguar Kakizawa outpointed Rudy Gonzales, 12 (Orient title). Rene Roque outpointed Johnny White, 10. Frank Otero decisioned Sandy Jefferis, eight.

Borge Krogh outpointed Klaus Jacoby, eight. Mario Saurennann outpointed Bud Anderson, 10. Steve Freeman kayoed Frankie Taylor, one. Antonio Paddu stopped Brian Cartwright, five.

Bobby Hughes beat Jerry Graci, 10; lost to Bobby Lee, eight. Billy Coleman kayoed Leonard Lopez, four. L. B. Melena stopped Ray Corcoran, one.

Carlos Soto won from Tito Flores, four. Juan Rueda outpointed Winston Noel, four. Jimmy Robertson knocked out Jessie Lara, four.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Johnny Famechon outpointed Jose Jimenez, 10 (non title). Felipe Torres outpointed Pete Gonzales, 10; but lost to Miguel Herrera, 10. Katsuyoshi Takayama outpointed Sulfredo Basco, 10. Katsuo Saito kayoed Koji Ikeda, 10.

Herbert Kang outpointed Sumio Nobata, 10. Casto Ramirez stopped Lloyd Wilson, four. Billy McGrandle outpointed Joe Valdez, 10. Kid Pitito halted Jose Garcia, three.

Antone Porcel and Jean DeKeers drew in 10. Danny Figueroa stopped Jackie Stanton, one. Leo DiFiore kayoed Johnny Bean, six. Jimmy Trosclair stopped Bobby Diamond, three.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Lionel Rose outpointed Alan Rudkin, 15 (world title). Ruben Olivares kayoed Carlos Zayas, five and Ernie De La Cruz, nine. Kazuyoshi Kanazawa halted Jesus Pimentel, nine. Domi Manalang stopped Billy Smith, two.

Raul Herrera outpointed Ken Nagamine, 10. Franco Zurlo and Enzo Farinelli drew, 12 (Italian title). Jose Luis Valdovinos and Bernabe Fernandez drew, seven. Bob Alottey halted Pierre Vetroff, eight.

Rudolfo Garcia stopped Francisco Martinez, eight. Jose Mendoza defeated Tony Villanueva, six.

FLYWEIGHTS

Johnny McCluskey outpointed Mike Buttle, 10. Franko Sperati outpointed Claude Lapinte, eight.

Cooper's KO Of Tomasoni In 5 No Classic

By JOHNNY SHARPE

ROME, Italy — Rino Tomassi and Jack Solomons combined promotion to stage the European heavyweight championship for the first time with an Englishman in the ring.

Henry Cooper, European, Empire and British champion, retained his European title, with a five round knockout, as clean a K.O. as one could see, after 55 seconds, including the count.

The Italian challenger, Piero Tomasoni, known as the Axe Man, was at least 5 inches shorter, stockily built, 189½ to Cooper's 189.

There is an allegation in the boxing world, that you have to knock your man out with a head punch in Italy to be declared the winner.

But the longest reigning British champion, Henry Cooper, had a neutral referee in the ring. Thus ended what is recalled as a brawling, rough battle between an orthodox boxer and a rough and tumble fighter, who had insisted that he never had been knocked out.

Referee Ben Brill, of Holland, almost as good a referee as one could have, was a busy man in trying to save "The Brawl" and was busy in counting over the fallen boxers. The third man had to call the Italian to order many times for low blows. These ended in the third with a public warning.

Cooper got into his stride early in the first by jabbing his stockier opponent with snappy left leads. Cooper landed on Tomasoni's jaw. Down went The Italian for a count of nine. The bell ended with the British contingent cheering for it looked all over but the shouting.

There was a change of scene as Tomasoni swung a left to the body in the second round, which went palpably low. Cooper sank to the canvas with his face squirming. He took a count of nine. It looked bad for Cooper as he went to his corner at the bell. Referee Brill failed to warn the Italian for the low punch. A demerit for Ben.

A similar thing happened in the third, with Tomasoni beaming with confidence. He landed another low blow. Cooper was forced to take six on one knee. The referee gave Tomasoni a "Public Warning" which translated meant that he was the loser of the round by one point.

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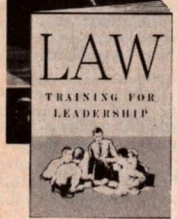

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● UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES ●

By Tom Ephrem

Tampa, Fla.—Age was no handicap for Luis Rodriguez but the former welterweight champion's experience was too much for young Bobby (Songbird) Williams, who tried for a short cut to fistic fame when the pair met here before the largest crowd to witness any of the five pro cards staged by promoter Earl Gilliam.

Rodriguez, aiming at Nino Benvenuti's middleweight crown, was wrong on target against the Memphis 160-pounder as he zeroed several punches below the belt tha tbrought warnings from referee Joey (Young) Raymond. After losing the fifth on a foul, Luis worked higher and was more effective in bloodying the nose and mouth of manager Jack Lazarow's game charge. Rodriguez emerged a TKO winner in the seventh round.

Bobby can be consoled by the ex-champ's nice words about him as a fighter. The victor, managed by Angelo Dundee, tipped 155.

Two exhibition matches with WBA heavyweight champion Jimmy Ellis, of Louisville, opposing Joe Sheldon and Hydra Lacy, in two rounds each, found the 1800 fans enjoying the last round when Ellis opened up on the St. Petersburg heavyweight.

A heavyweight go between Mose Harrell, of St. Petersburg, and Memphis Al Jones, went to Harrell after 10 rounds.

Stormy Winters, 159, Macon, Georgia, wrapped up a TKO in the sixth round over Hilton Smith, 158, of Tampa. Dave Bowens, 207, St. Petersburg, made an auspicious entry into professional boxing by taking a four-round decision over Jerry Mormon, 188¾, of Tampa, who likewise entered the pro ranks in this bout. The much heavier winner dropped the game Mormon in the last round to help the tabulation. It was an excellent fight. An amateur bout, also a big hit with the customers, saw Georgie Savage, of Temple Terrace, gain a three-round verdict over Joe White, of Tampa, and an all-star grid star a ta local high school. Savage, at 190, overcame White's tremendous weight advantage of 40 pounds by out fighting him in a fast battle. The Tampa Boxing Enterprise presentation grossed $5,445.

▶ Dennis Riggs, Jacksonville middleweight now managed by Angelo Dundee, was halted in his first appearance under the Miami Beach pilot, but it could be a lesson for Dennis. With Dundee in his corner, the Riggs' mistakes can be corrected.

▶ Memphis Al Jones, 191, a toughie with his fists in the ring, may have found himself, which would please manager Jack Lazarow no end. Jones stopped Tony Longoria, 174, San Antonio, Texas in the second round of a bout in Los Angeles.

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LIMA'S SECOND PRO SHOW ● SEES BRASSELL SCORE KO ●

By Thomas W. Lovgren

Lima, Ohio—Promoter and matchmaker T. W. Lovgren brought another professional boxing show to Lima and again it was a success.

In the scheduled eight-round main event Rufus Brassell, 196, Lima, Ohio, stopped Mac Harrison, 196, Akron, at 2:39 of the fifth round when referee Tony Chudick called a halt.

The first round was the best for Mac as he had Rufus down from a punch slip. The second round was about even and in the third Mac received a standing eight count. From that point on it was just a matter of time before Brassell finished the bout.

There were no other knockdowns in the fight. Brassell was just too fast and accurate for Harrison.

In the six round semi-final KO artist Billy Morris, 196, Pittsburgh, won a close but unanimous decision over Joe Byrd, 196, of Flint. Byrd was too smart for Billy to land the big punch to end the affair. This win brings Billy's record to 13-0, nine knockouts with six of them in the first round.

In a four-rounder Lyle Randolph, 142, Clinton, Ohio, scored a clean knockout over J. W. Jackson, 141, Flint, at 1:49 of the fourth round. Lyle shows all the signs of becoming a great fighter.

Terry Reed, 140, Akron, Ohio won a four-round decision over Sam Ivory, 144, Flint.

Howard Youngblood, 158, Lima, won a four-round split decision over Charlie Lewis, 161, Anderson, Indiana.

George McGee, 162, Toledo, stopped Joe Blair, 161, Akron, at 2:10 of the fourth round, TKO.

IN AND AROUND ● PHILADELPHIA ●

By Archie Pirolli

Lou Lucchese, the consistent promoter in these parts, has developed another promising local drawing card in Angie Pantellas, Philly featherweight. Pantellas, in his last time out, knocked out Rocky Boulay, 127, in the second round of the feature eight-round bout, winning his 14th fight in a row, 11th by knockout.

Boulay's awkward style and speed gave Angie some trouble in the first round. He hit Pantellas with some good left hooks, but Angie shook them off, waiting for an opening. In the second, Pantellas stayed back while the lad who claims the featherweight championship of Canada forced the action. In the middle of the round Pantellas caught Boulay with two left hooks. Boulay moved in but missed with a jab and right. Pantellas then exploded a left hook to the body and followed with a right uppercut that dropped the Canadian for the 10-count from referee John Fitzpatrick.

Pantellas' record is now 15-2. After the fight he said that he would fight anybody. "Promoter Lou Lucchese can bring any of the rated featherweights here or I'll go to the West Coast to meet them," declared Angie.

Roy Williams, 22, unbeaten Philadelphian, ran into New York's tough Jeff Merritt and dropped an eight-round decision. It was Williams' first loss in nine pro fights. In the fifth round, Roy hit Merritt, 216, with a left hook and right to the head that dropped the New Yorker for an automatic eight-count. Merritt was staggering but Williams failed to follow up and lost his opportunity for a knockout. Williams proved he had boxing ability with good counterpunching, but failed to move in.

In another eight-rounder, Mario Saurennan, 136, defeated Bud Anderson, 142, in an all-Philadelphia match. Anderson fought desperately in the eighth, trying for a knockout, but Saurennan fought off the savage attack.

Roland Marshall, 151, knocked out Jese Rodriguez, 147, in one round in another all-Philadelphia match.

Sammy Goss, 124, Trenton, a member of the 1968 Olympic team, knocked out Philadelphia's Jeffrey Guy, 126, in the first.

● MINNESOTA MUSINGS ●

By Jim Malcolm

St. Paul, Minn.—Pat O'Connor is 18, talented, Irish, box office and cursed by it. How does a young man in what may be the toughest weight class—middleweight—develop his skills while in the expectant and critical eye of the public?

Pat's won 12 fights, few of which have pushed him the way an ordinary preliminary fighter would be pushed by other fighters clobbering for position on the ladder up. In his last two fights, however, Pat has moved closer to his moment of truth. Against Ray Christian, Pat showed he could fight defensively, moving away, waiting for openings, staying out of danger if Christian represents danger. The decision in favor of Pat was razor close but deserved. Later in the month Pat fought Bob Reilly, Gary, Indiana. Here again, there wasn't much threat but Pat fought much more aggressively and a little more fight was added to the game. Next for Pat will be a main eventer against an equally well known local fighter, Duane Horseman. Pat's managers are gambling tha tthe big draw of O'Connor and the 32-year-old Horseman is worth it because Horseman may have seen his best days. This fight, at least, figures to be an all-out war.

▶ Heavyweights on the local scene always create interest because they're so rare. Floyd Joyner, now training O'Connor, brought from the West a fighter named Rocky Zale, originally from Yugoslavia. In his first two fights, Zale failed to impress, winning one and losing one against Lee Estes. In his third fight, Zale, winning by a knockout over Charlie Walla, showed he has potential. Other local fighters have fleshed out promoter Weller's (St. Paul) and Sternberg's (Rochester) cards. Steve Silver, 154, made his debut impressive by TKOing Bob Crawford of Gary. In his next fight, Silver ran into local Frankie Jiminez, who had more steam and all but decimated him. The fight was so good there will be an undoubted repeat. All the action seemingly has been in the interest of maneuvering a fight between Horseman and O'Connor. Whatever else one can say about the up and down career of Horseman, it cannot be denied that he comes to fight and gives his all.

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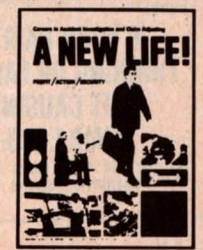


WILLIAMS DECISIONS ● POLITE IN HOUSTON 10 ●

By Harlan Haas

Houston, Texas—Going into the fight with Charley Polite, Cleveland (Big Cat) Williams had an overall record of 70-7-1, with 55 of the wins by knockout, 34 of them prior to the fourth round, 18 of them in the very first round. These credentials are enough to make the opposition a bit cautious and Polite fought a retreating type of battle. It didn't make for too interesting a contest since Williams was never able to land any combinations. When he did nail Polite in a corner, the quick moving visitor went into a shell with only the top of his head exposed. The "Big Cat" was the aggressor throughout, and came out with the unanimous 10-round decision, but it was far from easy. Williams weighed a career high of 221. Polite tipped the beam at 199.

Roy (Cookie) Wallace, 205, Dallas, slambanged and hustled his way to an interesting 10-round win over clever Mose Harrell, 196, St. Petersburg, Fla. Wallace bored in continuously, and Harrell peppered him with jabs, but "Cookie" is not an easy man to discourage. It was an exciting, close battle, and the verdict in favor of Wallace was by split margin.

Salvador Martinez, 159, Juarez, stopped Cassius Clay Scott, 160, New Orleans, in the seventh round of a brutal punching bee. Both took everything thrown, and at times it seemed as if Scott would be obliterated. He was hit with punches that would hav edecked a horse, but he hung in there, to his credit. The fans roared their approval of this one. Finally, the 26-year-old bomber from Juarez blasted Scott to the canvas three times and it was all over in the seventh round. It was the 26th win, against only one loss, and one draw for Martinez. All 26 of his wins are by knockout.

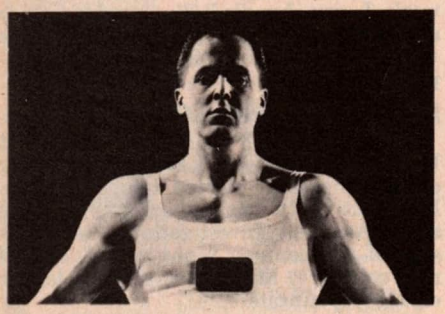
Steve Freeman, 140, Houston, landed a murderous left hook to the midsection of Frankie Taylor, 141, Wichita Falls, and as Taylor bent over in pain, a whistling Freeman right hand collided with his exposed jaw. The ref didn't even bother to count. It was obviously all over. Little Steve was making his first local start since returning from seven months with the Army in Vietnam. The win ran his record to 23-4-1.

Terry Daniels, 196, Dallas, flattened Len McKinney, 225, Wichita Falls, in the first round. It was the third straight pro win for Daniels, who was the 1968 Texas Golden Gloves heavyweight champ. He's a solid belter and a kid to watch closely.

Beaumont, Texas—Jesse (Chu Chu) Garcia, 146, Mexico, kayoed Al Jackson, 147, New Orleans, in the ninth round. Garcia, a good fighter with a good record, showed plenty of class. J. W. (Kid) Henry, 152, Beaumont, hammered out a four-round victory over Morris Crathin, 144, Port Arthur, to avenge an earlier loss. The "Kid," no longer a kid, is in his 18th year as a salaried fist fighter. Richard (Dickie) Wills, 180, Dallas, iced Tony White, 180, Beaumont, in two rounds. Joe Cokes, 159, Dallas, (the welterweight champ's brother) kayoed the smaller Frankie Taylor, 148, Wichita Falls, in one round. Terry Daniels, 195, Dallas, rushed out tossing bombs and decked Charles Burnett, 198, Beaumont, in round one.

▶ **Houston, Texas**—Manuel Gonzalez, who keeps proving he is one of the world's best welters, displayed plenty of firepower in bombing capable Hector Ortiz of San Juan, Puerto Rico out of the picture in round five. Ortiz had taken a severe body pummeling, and was unable to continue midway of the fifth when he was in dire danger of being flattened. The ref very wisely intervened. Gonzalez weighed 149¾, Ortiz 148½. Jesse (Chu Chu) Garcia, 146, Mexico, stopped Allen Moten, 147, Beaumont in round two. Jimmy Nichols, 158, Houston, behind on points, suddenly turned tiger in the fourth to hammer Morris Crathin, 151, Port Arthur, at will, putting him on the deck for nine, and gaining a close decision in a riotous four.

▶ By the time this appears in print, light heavy Mark Tessman will have walked to the altar with dark-eyed beauty Kay Madole.



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PRUITT STOPS ADIGUE IN FIVE ROUNDS

By Ted Yamachika

Honolulu—Adolph Pruitt, 143, Los Angeles, disposed of Pedro Adigue, 142½, Philippines, at 1:46 of the fifth round of a scheduled 10 at the Honolulu International Center arena. It was a TKO. A terrific uppercut to the jaw floored the Filipino fighter. He got up almost immediately but staggered around the ring and was still glassy eyed after the automatic eight count. Referee Wilbert Minn stopped the contest at this point.

Pruitt took charge from the beginning. He scored the first knockdown near the end of the first round with a hard right to the head. Adigue beat the count but he was still groggy and would have been in trouble but for the bell.

Pruitt continued to pile up his lead in the next three rounds with his fast lefts and an overhand right which shook Adigue every time it connected. Adigue seemingly had no defense against it.

Adigue kept wading in in a desperate attempt to land a telling blow but he was too slow for the fast-stepping Pruitt.

This was a non-title bout. Last year Adigue had decisioned Pruitt and was crowned junior welter champ by the WBC.

The fight, promoted by Boxing Enterprises, Ltd., drew 8,428 fans, a capacity crowd, and grossed $60,390.00.

Shintaro Uchiyama, 119, Japan, beat Jose Orantes, 117½, Mexico, five rounds. Thomas Aridodon, 123, Philippines, decisioned Teddy Doi, 121½, Honolulu, five rounds. Nester Aridodon, 129½, Philippines, was held to a draw by Saburo Hitomi, 130, Japan, five rounds. Kazumichi Hayashi, 129¼, Japan, outpointed Rodolfo Patino, 129¼, Mexico, five rounds.

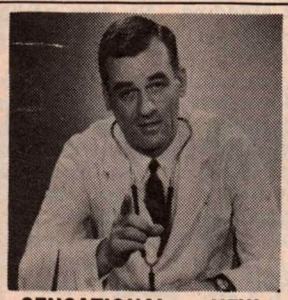
Charles Harvey, 136¾, Los Angeles, decisioned Calvin Rivera, 136¼, Honolulu, four rounds.

▶ **Honolulu**—At the HIC Arena, Bernabe Fernandez, 122, of the Philippines and Jose Valdovinos, 120½, Mexico, fought only seven rounds of a scheduled 10 and the fight was stopped by referee Walter Cho and declared a technical draw. The reason was a deep cut over Valdovinos' left eye, supposedly from an "unintentional" butt by Fernandez. According to the rules of the Hawaii State Commission, the victim of a butt is declared winner if he is ahead at the time of stoppage, or given a draw if he is behind.

Valdovinos was behind on points when the fight was stopped but not by much. The way things looked, however, Bernabe had shot his bolt in the earlier rounds and getting weaker, whereas Valdovinos was getting stronger and his punches were beginning to connect more often. The promoter says a rematch is in the offing.

The fight grossed $32,507.50 with 6,756 fans in attendance.

Toshiyuki Niiezeki, 127¾, Japan, beat Pat Gonzales, 124¾, Philippines, in 10 dull rounds. They weren't 10-round fighters. Yasuo Sakurai, 125¼, Japan, displayed a classy style and terrific hitting and TKOd Rafael Rezendiz, 124, Mexico, in the fourth of a scheduled 10-round fight. Emil Agustin, 135½, Honolulu, outpointed Lloyd Ungricht, 134¾, Los Angeles, five rounds. Kazuhiro Sawaguchi, 129¾, Japan, TKOd Rodolfo Patino, 129¼, Mexico, in the fourth of a five. Noel Morales, 115½, Philippines, beat Miguel Vasquez, 115, Mexico, five rounds.



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TESSMAN MAKES IT TWO STRAIGHT AGAINST TALHAMI ● IN MIAMI BEACH RING ●

By Hank Kaplan

Miami Beach, Fla.—In a second attempt to gain a decision over Mark Tessman, 175, Houston, hometowner Eddie Talhami, 178, before a crowd of 2,835 at the Auditorium, had a good fifth round but phased out of his advantage to allow his opponent to capture a split decision for the second time.

Aside from the classic boxing of Tessman, ranked light heavyweight, the bout featured a third-round attack by the Texan, who had Talhami in protective cover on the ropes. In the fifth round Talhami connected with a half dozen effective long rights to produce a serious cut over Tessman's eye.

This was a critical period for Tessman, University of Houston student, but thereafter Talhami stored his right and Mark's cleverness took over to give him the duke. The win made it 27-1-0 for the Texan, while Talhami became 13-4-0.

In an exciting eight-round semi-final, the Punching Parson from Nashville, Frank Jones, 176, came back from a beating to pile up winning points for a decision over Willie McIntyre, 177½, Fort Lauderdale. McIntyre, a fast moving and talented fighter, had Jones in trouble with good right hands but a tiring Fort Lauderdale boy and a game Jones resulted in the reversal.

In a six-round bout, Chico Hernandez, 139½, Santo Domingo, D. R., showed a fresh style as he outscored a willing Buddy Taylor, 138½, Jacksonville.

In another six-round bout, Jimmy Williams, 159½, Jacksonville, was returned a controversial winner over Bobby Philips, 161, Scranton, prospect of Lippe Briedbart, former manager of Tommy (Hurricane) Jackson. The decision was of the split variety and not too popular.

In a four Jimmy Gibavitch, 155, Hialeah, made it two in a row over Houston Hess, 160, Miami.

▶The Auditorium played host to almost 3,000 fans who watched Percy Manning, 155, Philadelphia, gain a draw verdict on one of the finest cards presented by Chris Dundee this season. The Philadelphian, returning to the boxing scene after a lengthy layoff, was behind on points up to the fifth round when he caught clever Gomeo Brennan, 158, Miami, with a wide left hook, seating the former British Empire middleweight champion for the first time in a career of 103 battles.

Gomeo sat calmly on the canvas for eight, then bounced up to weather the balance of the round and the stormy attack of the eager Manning. From the sixth round on Gomeo stayed several points ahead but the judges saw the result no better than a draw. The referee called it for Brennan.

In the eight-round semi-final Joe Carwright, 137, West Palm Beach, returned to the arena after a three-month recovery period required for the healing of a badly burned right arm. He earned a draw against Jerry Wells, Washington, D.C., 142. Both boys were in action constantly.

In a four-rounder, making his second professional appearance, Tommy Torino, 150½, Hollywood, Fla., took a unanimous decision over Murphy Chatham, 145, Fort Lauderdale.

In another four-rounder, Jimmy Gibavitch, 155½, Hialeah, showed sparks of his former self as he outpointed Houston Hess, 161, Miami.

In a third four, Georgie Cohen, 154, University of Miami student, made an auspicious debut as he outscored Bobby Lambert, 153½, Miami, in unanimous fashion.

▶Reversing a previous decision, Grady Ponder, 139, Miami, outboxed his mauling opponent from Santurce, Puerto Rico, Ernesto Ortega, 140½. Ponder, barely 21, captured the 10-round main event at the Auditorium with the scores of 50-41, 49-42 and 47-43, all in his favor, indicating he is ready to bounce back with the class of his division.

Grady has compiled a 31-10-0 record which is notable when considering the caliber of his opposition.

Ortega was constant in delivering looping rights and lefts to the body while Ponder stabbed with a well-aimed left jab and combined hooks and rights at long range. Ever-pressing Ortega made it an interesting fight.

A shocker came in the semi-final when Joe Cartwright, 140½, West Palm Beach, connected to the chin of Chico Hernandez, 142½, Santo Domingo, D. R., in the second round with a short right hook, following with another of the same, to stop the promising visitor.

Cartwright's tireless style pressed Hernandez into the defensive early in the fight but it appeared that Chico was beginning to stave off the persistent attack when the right landed midway in the second.

Making his pro debut, Robert Ayala, 134, Hialeah, clobbered Andres Guevara, 134½, Miami, for a two-round TKO.

Former Golden Gloves lightweight champ, Tommy Torino, 149, Hollywood, Fla., lost a squeaker to his erstwhile victim Murphy Chatham, 145½, Fort Lauderdale, in a battle which should have been called even. This was Torino's first loss as a pro.

▶Earl Gilliam had planned the biggest boxing night of them all in Tampa's Fort Homer Hesterly Armory. This was to be the most ambitious venture in the history of Tampa Boxing Enterprises and it turned out just that way. The presentation featured the appearances of former welterweight champion Luis Rodriguez and heavyweight contender Jimmy Ellis, plus shining lights of the Florida scene.

The Bay City fans loved Luis Rodriguez, 155, Miami, as he proved he has lost none of his speed and durability in stopping Bobby "Songbird" Williams, 154½, Memphis, Tenn., during round seven. Referee Young Raymond stopped the action. Luis had command of the fight from the first round and had Williams in a helpless state in the terminal heat.

Ellis delighted the turnout with four rounds of exhibition boxing, two each with Joe "Shotgun" Shelton and Hydra Lacey. Ellis is carrying about seven pounds over his fighting weight.

In the semi-final, Mose Harrell, 197, St. Petersburg, took a unanimous decision from Al Jones, 194 (this Al Jones from Memphis), as his more aggressive and sharper punching tactics earned it for him. Harrell also appeared to be the better equipped defensively.

In a sixer, Mel "Stormy" Winters, Macon, 159, stopped Hilton Smith, 158, Tampa, in round six after hitting the deck and rising in a dazed condition. Hilton was giving Stormy a fight up to the point of the knockout. Hilton Smith is one of the few who ever licked Jose Napoles.

In a four-rounder, Dave Bowens, 207, St. Petersburg, made his pro debut a happy event by outpointing Jerry Mormon, 188¾, Tampa.

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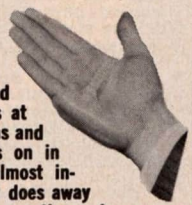

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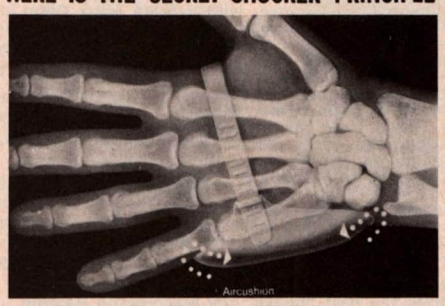

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NEW YORK'S ● MONTH THAT WAS ●

By Jersey Jones

Not much ring action in the metropolitan area was reported. Activities were limited to two cards in Madison Square Garden, another in the Garden's Felt Forum, one at the Audubon Ballroom and the return of the professionals to Sunnyside Garden.

Pushed out for several weeks by Golden Gloves eliminations, the pros moved back into Sunnyside with a card headed by middleweights Tom Bethea, 161, West Side, and Teddy Pagan, 160, Bronx-domiciled Puerto Rican.

Up-and-coming Bethea made it 11 wins against one draw and one defeat by pounding out a unanimous decision in 10 rounds. Pagan was checked several times by the club physician, but permitted to continue. In the final session the Puerto Rican unleashed a desperate, dying rally, and inflicted a cut on Bethea's lower lip, but his furious assault came too late and failed to change the result.

In the semi-final six, Roland Trotman, 135, Harlem, was a winner over Bob Ackerson, also 135, Bronx. In a pair of fours, Lloyd Nelson, 159, won from Richard Winfield, 158½, Newark, N.J., and Rinaldo Mercado, 136½, whipped a Puerto Rican rival, L. B. Medina, 136.

The turnout was announced as 831 and the gross receipts $2,556.50.

▶When two winning streaks collide, something has to give, and one did in Madison Square Garden, when Carlos Ortiz's cousin, Willie Munoz, 150, lost a split decision to a fellow-Puerto Rican, David Melendez, 149½, in a close, hard-fought 10.

It was chunky Melendez's aggressiveness against the shifty boxing and counter-punching of the taller, rangier Munoz, and there was so little to choose between them that the scoring of the officials was divided, Melendez getting two votes and the other tabbing a draw. The decision gave Melendez an overall won-draw record of 16-1, while Munoz suffered his first reverse in 20 outings, one of which also had resulted in a draw.

In the co-feature, also scheduled for 10 rounds, Benny Briscoe, 158¾, Philadelphia, repeated a previous victory over another veteran, Jose Gonzalez, 161, Puerto Rico, this time by a KO when the bout was halted at the close of the fifth. Commission physician, Dr. A. Harry Kleiman, ordered the stoppage after checking cuts alongside Gonzales's eyes. It was a fairly even affair as far as it went.

In preliminaries, Bob O'Brien, 160, Bayside, drew with a Long Island rival, Steve Shevlin, 153, Seaford, in six; Len Hutchins, 176, Philadelphia, outpointed Ned Edwards, 176, Freeport, L.I., in four, and Ruben Figueroa, 169½, Puerto Rico, decisioned another islander, Angel Viera, 174½, also in four.

The show must have been a financial loser for the spacious Garden, with its heavy operating expenses. In an arena with a capacity of nearly 19,000, the comparatively sparse turnout of 3,509 resembled an intimate gathering of friends and relatives. The receipts were $19,395.90.

▶Latin-American cohorts of Roberto Davila, 199, Peru, didn't like the split decision given against the South American in his 10-rounder with Chuck Wepner, 212, Bayonne, N.J., in the Garden's Felt Forum, and they vented their displeasure in no uncertain terms. Along with thunderous boos and hisses echoing throughout the arena, they broke windows and chairs and heaved debris into the ring, but, fortunately, no spectators were reported injured, and no arrests were made.

It was a tough, grueling battle all the way, with the awkwardly aggressive Wepner fighting from the fourth round on with a badly bruised right hand, but it didn't seem to affect him unduly.

The bout was close, with referee Mark Conn and judge Nick Gamboli tabbing slight margins for Wepner and the other judge, Joe Armstrong, calling it a draw.

With six of the eight principals, Puerto Ricans again dominated the supporting card. In the semi-final eight, Felix Morales, 140½, edged an island rival, Benny Huertas, 139. In fours, Carlos Soto, 135½, decisioned a fellow-islander, Tito Flores, 135½; Juan Rueda, 140¾, Puerto Rico, won from Winston Noel, 138¾, Harlem, and Willie Rivera, 160½, Puerto Rico, edged Richard Winfield, 156½, Newark, N.J.

Official statistics recorded the attendance as 1,354 and box-office business as $8,429.12.

▶After several weeks of inactivity, the Audubon Ballroom also got back into circulation and reported the best "house" the Washington Heights arena had known since it began operations a year before under the aegis of large Al Joyner. The recipts of $3,363.47 were contributed by 817 of the 931 witnesses.

In one of two scheduled eights, Tony Gagliardo, 206, the battling cop of Deer Park, L.I., could have been accused of police brutality for the manner in which he walloped Danny Swears, 191, Worcester, Mass., before the one-sided affair was halted at the end of the third.

In the other eight, Julio Figueroa, 161, Puerto Rico, outfought a West Indian rival, Danny Garcia, 160, Dominican Republic.

Two preliminaries were abbreviated. A scheduled six finished at 1:05 of the fourth with John Griffin, 191, Cleveland, polishing off Al Banks, 192, Dallas, Tex. The opening four ended in a hurry with L. B. Malena, 138¾, Puerto Rico, demolishing Ray Corcoran, 139, Bronx, in 1:42 of one.

The most significant development in the card supporting the Jerry Quarry-Buster Mathis affair in Madison Square Garden was Johnny Persol's return to action after a 10-months' layoff because of an eye injury, and his impressive triumph over Chuck Leslie of Los Angeles in the semi-final 10. The Brooklynite, 177¾, a half-pound more than Leslie, displayed no ill effects from his long absence from competition, and whipped Leslie decisively, all three officials voting unanimously for him by wide margins.

A newcomer from Hungary, Steven Papp, 159, celebrated his American debut by registering one of the fastest knockouts yet accounted for in the New Garden. He needed only 48 seconds of one round to dispose of Conrad Wynter, 159, a West Indian domiciled in the Bronx.

In a pair of heavyweight fours, Johnny Griffith, 189½, Cleveland, decisioned Bob Washburn, 205¾, Harlem, and Donald Waldheim, 190¾, Freeport, L.I., won from Billy Marquart, 188, Paterson, N.J.

Details of Quarry's one-sided victory over Mathis, and how it affects the current heavyweight situation, are covered elsewhere in this issue.

BACKUS BY TKO IN SEVEN, ● WITH C. L. LEWIS DEFEATED ●

By Vince Jim Leo

Syracuse, N.Y.—The main event at the Canastota Boxing Club found Billy Backus the winner over C. L. Lewis, Philadelphia, by a TKO in seven.

They got off quickly, exchanging good blows. But the shorter Backus came out of it the better.

In round six, Backus began to get to Lewis with the heavy artillery. Lewis, trapped in a corner, got tagged with a good right and went down. He took the mandatory eight and lasted out the round.

In round seven Billy measured Lewis, and scored with blows to the head and body. A left hook caught Lewis on the whiskers and down he went for the second time. He was up at the eight count, but Backus was right there on the attack.

Referee Jack Milicich decided Lewis had had enough and halted the bout at 12:42 of round seven.

In the semi-final Reuben Cortez, 142, Canastota, continued unbeaten as he TKOd Irish Dan Corcoran, 140, Bennington, Vt., at 1:57 of the second round. The referee halted the scrap due to an ugly gash above Corcoran's eye.

Cuts proved disastrous to Herb Walker, 141½, Syracuse, in his bout with Bobby Ackerson, 140, Brooklyn. The doctor stopped the match at the end of the third round. Bobby Horton, 142, Syracuse, and Dandre Ingram, 143, New York, battled to a draw in six.

▶**Syracuse, N.Y.**—Veteran Ring #56 members Eddie Dempsey, Babe Amos, Young Neville, and Irv Robbins, plan to pool their knowledge in helping the city to set up a boxing facility at the old North High. Their motto, "Teach boxing to KO juvenile delinquency."

Artie McGivern, former Syracuse University boxing star, is a judge in Pittsburgh. Artie will be remembered for his slashing bouts with Billy Soose, who went on to become middleweight champion. Another Syracuse boxing star, Erwin Lighterman, alias Gerry Walsh, is a noted plastic surgeon in Florida.

Former bantamweight champion Bushy Graham is in semi-retirement in Old Forge, N.Y.

Eddie Leonard, former announcer, N.Y. Deputy Commissioner, operates a liquor package shop in New York.

Babe Amos and Billy Leonard, ranking boxers back in the '30s, are connected with the Sheriff's Office in Syracuse.

A new publication, the 1969 N.Y. State Boxing Yearbook, states that Billy Backus and Hal Carroll are managed by Joe Netro. Backus is managed by Tony Graziano and Carroll is managed by Irv Robbins.

A new club, the Central N.Y. Boxing Club, under John, Sam and Babe Amos, plans a card in April. Hal Carroll and Harold Johnson are probable headliners.

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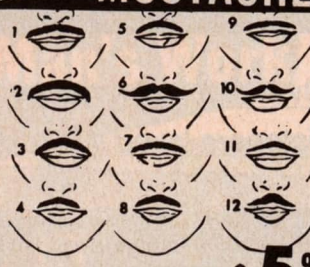

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KENDALL IMPRESSIVE IN ● BEATING JONES IN VEGAS ●

By Jimmy Cox

Las Vegas, Nevada—The 'Scapoose Express,' Andy Kendall, Portland, Ore., light heavy, moved a step nearer a shot at Bob Foster and the 175-pound title by scoring a split decision over Eddie Jones, 175, Los Angeles, in a "Strip Fight of the Week" feature at the Silver Slipper Casino.

Kendall never looked better in pounding out the win, and had Jones, long-time highly ranked light heavy, near collapse as the bell sounded ending round 10.

The only reaction from a capacity house was to judge Bill Kipp's scorecard, 47-45 in favor of Jones. The crowd, mostly pro-Jones, shifted its allegiance after the first three rounds when it appeared that Kendall had the better of the going and was carrying the fight to Eddie.

Neither fighter was floored, although Jones came close to being dropped in the seventh and 10th rounds. However, he withstood the barrage. Kendall did most of his damage with solid left hooks to the midsection and jaw, scoring repeatedly.

Kendall, in the dressing room after the bout issued a challenge to Foster for a title bout "anywhere, anytime."

In preliminaries: Dick Finley, 140, San Diego, scored over Speedy White, 147, Los Angeles, in five rounds; Jerry Weaklund, 170, Las Vegas, scored a split-decision win over veteran Billy Marsh, 171, Las Vegas, and Tommy Boyce, three-time Canadian lightweight amateur champion, halted Leonard Newhouse, 145, Los Angeles, in the second round in his professional debut.

▶Chuck Leslie, 178, Los Angeles, scored a unanimous decision over Dick Hall, 174¾, Boston. Leslie gave Hall a boxing lesson throughout the fight, while Hall kept trying to land the "big one."

The fight was fairly close throughout the first seven rounds, with Leslie slightly ahead on points, but an outburst of punching power in the final three stanzas sewed up the win.

In prelims: Benito Juares, 141, Las Vegas, pounded out an easy win over Mercer Smith, 141, Los Angeles. It was the best outing for the popular local fighter in many weeks. Steve Guitterez, 160, Las Vegas, scored over Billy Marsh, 170, and Don Smith, 160½, Los Angeles, surprised by scoring a five-round decision win over James Polk, 160, Los Angeles.

▶Billy Hester, 164½, Los Angeles, scored an easy 10-round decision win over Ronnie Wilson, 167, San Diego. It was Hester's 34th ring victory against only three losses.

In prelims: Tommy Boyce, 143, San Diego, TKOd Manny Guillatt, 145½, Carson City, in six; Clarence Geiger, 163½, San Diego, looking better every time out, scored unanimously over Scott Wosooker, 164½, Las Vegas, and Dick Finley, 140, San Diego, showed too many punches for Gil Pedroza, 141, Los Angeles, to handle.

Roger Rouse, 176, Anaconda, Mont., looked a shell of his former self in dropping a 10-round decision to Eddie Porott, 182½. Rouse, former No. 1 contender for the light heavy title, lacked punching ability, plus poor timing in dropping the duke—a big upset in the eyes of the experts. Porott was stopped by Andy Kendall in his last local outing, before the first of the year.

Preliminary results: Billy Marsh, 170, Las Vegas, defeated another local fighter, Jerry Weaklund, 170, over six rounds; Benito Juarez, 142, Las Vegas, carried too many punches for Manny Lugo, 141, Los Angeles, and won the verdict in six heats.

▶Ronnie Wilson, 172, bounced back from his defeat at the hands of Billy Hester, to score a unanimous 10-round win over Joe Hopkins, 165, Salt Lake.

The younger Wilson kept the pressure on Hopkins throughout, and the long six-month layoff by Hopkins showed as the fight entered the final stages. Wilson tried hard for a knockout but could not floor the cagey Hopkins. A rematch between the pair looms in the future.

In prelims: Jose Luis, 127, fighting out of San Diego, stopped Angel Marquise, 127, Los Angeles, in the fourth round of a scheduled five; Dick Finley, 127½, San Diego, continued to impress by scoring a two-round knockout victory over Andrew Bowen, 136½, San Diego. It was the fourth straight win for young Finley, another Canadian now fighting out of San Diego.

▶Zora Folley, 214, Chandler, Ariz., scored a fourth-round TKO win over Sonny Moore, 211, Dallas, Tex. Folley toyed with his opponent before dropping him, after hammering him into submission with rights and lefts. The fight was stopped by Moore's corner. In fairness to the Dallas fighter it should be noted that he took the match on short notice.

In prelims: Gary Bates, 194, Las Vegas' hope in the heavyweight division, scored a 10-round win over Johnny Featherman, 183, Tucson, Ariz., ring veteran; Tim Treja, 188, Las Vegas, halted pudgy Conrad Lee, 239½, Phoenix, Ariz., in two, and Billy Marsh, 172, won a split decision over Scott Wosiker, 177, Las Vegas.

▶Art Davis, 148, San Diego, one of the best looking young prospects to show here this winter, scored an easy 10-round win over Miguel Aguilar, 151, Mexico City. It was the 19th ring victory for Davis against a lone loss.

In prelim action, Benito Juarez, 139, Las Vegas, and Mercer Smith, 139, Pasadena, Cal., fought to a sizzling six-round draw; Don Smith, 159½, Los Angeles, TKOd Dick "Beatnik" Johnson, 159, Huntington Beach, Cal.; Jerry Williams, 134½, Los Angeles, KOd Jay Peralta, 135½, Phoenix, in two, and Chuck Stuteville, 120, Las Vegas, pounded out a three-round decision over Bill Nunez, 118, Phoenix, in an amateur bout. Stuteville continues to impress.

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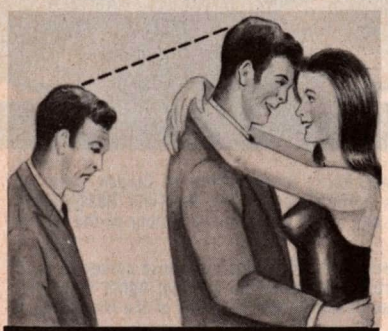

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● VANCOUVER AND VICINITY ●

By Jim Johnston

Vancouver boxers were active recently. Eddie Ostopvich, formerly of Lethbridge, Alberta, won his fourth pro fight in seven stars when he repeated an earlier victory over Montana's Mike Gross at Edmonton.

Les Vegas, Vancouver 143-pounder, won his sixth bout in nine starts when he pounded out a 10-round decision over Chicago's Ben Joseph at Tacoma. Earlier in the month Les dropped a split duke to Ralph Ungricht in 10 rounds at Vancouver, Wash. In the main event at Tacoma, Tony Doyle stopped Wes Craven of Seattle in the fourth of a heavyweight bout.

Tommy Boyce, Vancouver welter who has been sidelined for two years due to a heart condition, has resumed his career in California and has won two bouts.

Charley Reno, popular Seattle heavy, got back in the win column following a loss to Jerry Quarry when he scored an impressive 10-round decision over Andy Nacosti of Portland, Ore. at Seattle.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

OLIVARES COMES OFF FLOOR TO STOP DE LA CRUZ IN 9

By DON FRASER

INGLEWOOD—Bantamweight contender Ruben Olivares ran into a buzzsaw named Ernesto De La Cruz. The heavily favored Mexican had to work overtime before stopping De La Cruz in the ninth round of a bitter battle.

The second round was just one minute old when 10-1 choice Olivares kissed the canvas from a jarring right-hand punch. More surprised than hurt, the 21-year-old kept his cool and went to work.

Unbeaten in 47 bouts, Olivares had no trouble landing his vaunted punch, but in turn, De La Cruz proved to be an effective counter puncher. Winner of 45 fights by knockouts and touted as a one-punch specialist, young Ruben just couldn't catch up with his clever foe.

In the eighth, Olivares found the range and slowed the Filipino down to a walk. At 2:28 of the ninth, De La Cruz went down, more from exhaustion than anything else. Referee Lee Grossman stopped the contest at this point.

All three officials had Olivares well in front going into the ninth. Ruben weighed 121½, De La Cruz, 121¼. The attendance at the Forum was 8,459 and the gate $44,772.50. This was George Parnassus' second Forum promotion of the year.

Never one to be content with just one main event, the 74-year-old promoter rounded out his card with three additional 10-rounders.

Ranking lightweight Arturo Lomeli, 134¾, turned switch-hitter to take an easy 10-rounder from Roman Blanco, 134, Caracas, Venezuela. While he couldn't score a knockdown, the Mexican champion from Guadalajara had Blanco rocking and reeling several times during the seventh and eighth rounds.

Miguel Herrera, 129¾, Guayaquil, Ecuador, made his California debut, edging local favorite Felipe Torres, 131, East Los Angeles, in 10 rounds.

The fourth feature resulted in a smashing upset. Al Jones, 191, Memphis, Tenn., handed Tony Longoria, 208, San Antonio, his first loss. Jones a long time between wins, floored Tony in the first round with a sharp right to the chin. He finished the job after 54 seconds of the second.

▶**Woodland Hills**—An upset victim in his last start, Dwight Hawkins, 125, Los Angeles, jumped back into the victory column. He took out Raul Carreon, 126, Phoenix, with his specialty, a vicious left hook to the body. The end came at 2:04 of the fifth round.

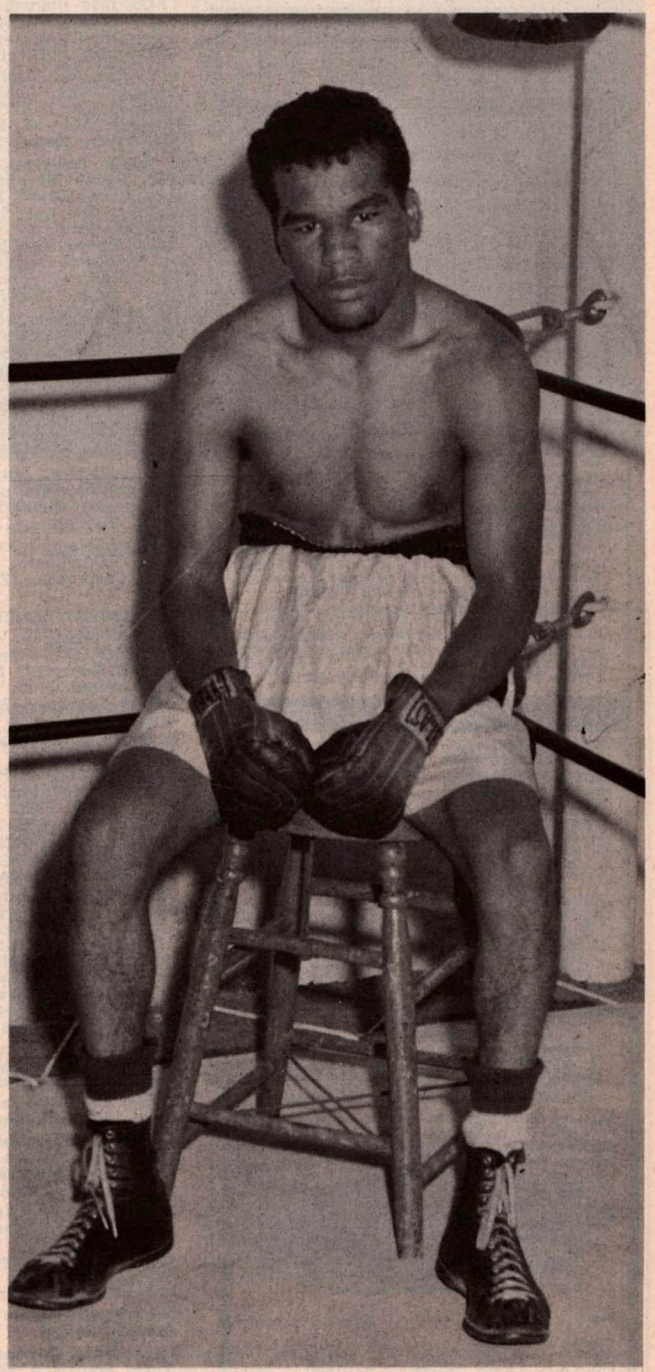
Other results: Irish Frankie Crawford, 128, Van Nuys, decisioned Tony Alvarado, 127, Los Angeles (10); Marcelo Cid, 129, Mexico City, drew with Rudolpho Lobaro, 126 (10); Lance Holmberg, 205, Hawthorne, decisioned Steve Carter, 192, Oakland (6); Tommy James, 148, San Diego, KOd Willie Smith, 147, Los Angeles (5).

Promoters Pete Kokon and Hal Bensen had another winning show with a gross gate of $9750.

▶**Los Angeles**—Richie Gonzales, 126½, gave away 5½ pounds to Pedro Rodriguez, 131½, San Fernando, but this didn't handicap him as he romped to an easy 10-round decision.

Gonzales, Los Angeles, collected his 16th straight win. Rodriguez was a late sub for ailing Bobby Valdez of San Diego.

Other results: Art Alderete, 161, Las Vegas, decisioned Jim Polk, 156, Los Angeles (10); Joe Espinosa, 143, East Los Angeles, decisioned Kid Gavilan Arguello, 145, Tijuana, Mexico; Sal Ramirez, 129, Los Angeles, defeated Rich Jimenez, 126, San Fernando (4). (Continued on page 61)



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BOXING IN THE REPUBLIC OF MEXICO

By Eduardo Amer G.

Estado de Mexico—Efren "Alacrán" Torres, 111, technically stopped Chartchai Chionoi, 110, of Thailand, and became the new world flyweight king. The end came in the eighth round.

Ruben Olivares, 117, kayoed Jose Bisbal, 118, of Spain, in three heats. Lorenzo "Halimi" Gutierrez, 111, beat Roberto Alvarez, 111, 10 .Antonio Roldan, 128, featherweight champion of the last Olympic Games, made his pro debut, winning by a TKO over Jerry Carol Williams, 128, California, three. Cuco Chavez, another ex-Olympic fighter, won by a TKO from Somchai Scipasamut, 117, of Thailand, five. Receipts were $165,000, with the attendance 22,000.

▶ **Monterrey, Nuevo Leon**—Chucho Castillo, 117, sensationally retained his Mexican bantamweight title via a TKO over Rafael Herrera, 117, in three rounds. Chuy Rocha, 118, decisioned Jorge "Alacrancito" Torres, 114, 10. Ruben Rivera, 144, TKOd Jose Blanco, 142, 10. Javier Ayala, 135, TKOd Placido Rodriguez, 133, eight. Cesar Deciga, 123, TKOd Francisco "Chuma" Quiron, 125, in the 10th and last round.

▶ **La Paz, Baja California**—Raul Rodriguez, 146, whipped Peter Cobblah, 145, of Ghana, in 10. Gustavo Garcia, 145, bested Hernando "Nando" Villegas, 144, 10. Martin Toledo, 127, knocked out Ramon Reyes, 128, six.

▶ **Tuxtla Gutierrez, Chiapas**—Ruben Olivares, 118, scored his 45th knockout victory by stopping Carlos Zayas, 117, of Puerto Rico, in seven rounds. This was fight number 47 for Olivares. Lorenzo "Halimi" Gutierrez, 111, TKOd "Chiquis" Fernandez, 111, in four. Alex Bahena, 116, lost to Memo Vega, 117, 10. Arturo "Chocolate" Zambrano, 121, halted Gallito del Ring, 124, three. Javier "Farolito" Coutiño, 115, outscored Manuel Barajas, 116, 10.

▶ **San Luis Potosi**—Nacho Ontiveros, 127, embalmed Delfin Camacho, 126, three.

▶ **Monterrey, Nuevo Leon**—Julio Cesar Segura, 117, iced Isidro Espinosa, 116, of Colombia, in the first round. Clemente Sanchez, 124, TKOd Arturo "Chocolate" Zambrano, 120, seven. Oscar Rico, 124, and Crispin Rodriguez, drew, 10. Memo Luna, 144, TKOd Cuco Juarez, 147, three.

▶ **Guadalajara, Jalisco**—Juan Enrique Escobar, 128, of Colombia, outpointed "Rancherito" Rios, 132, in 10. Chilo Ortega, 113, beat Victor "Pajaro" Plascencia, 112, 10.

Guadalajara, Jalisco—Manuel "Botas" Gomez, 126, TKOd Alberto "Raton" Palacios, 125, nine. Felix Castañeda, 125, stopped Andres Rios, 124, two.

▶ **Tapachula, Chiapas**—Angel Macias, 117, TKOd Rudy Gomez, 116, three.

▶ **Mexico, D.F.**—Manuel Galvan, 117, outscored Teofilo Gonzalez, 117, 10. Chucho Castañeda, 113, bested Julio "Ringo" Romero, 115, eight. Carlos Vazquez, 123, TKOd Benigno Cruz, 121, one.

▶ **Mexicali, Baja California**—Ricardo Arredondo, 122, TKOd Johnny Sandoval, 119, Puerto Rico, seven. Antonio "Peludo" Leal, 116, defeated Pedro Bendek, 117, Colombia, 10. Victor Manuel Basilio, 143, TKOd Johnny Bojorquez, 142, five. Porfirio Cruz, 121, beat Jose Luis Estrada, 124, four. Lorenzo Delgado, 118, whipped Jorge Romero, 116, in four.

▶ **Mexico, D.F.**—Alfredo Meneses, 118, outscored Jose Luis "Maestrito" Lopez, 118, 10. Javier Palencia, 123, TKOd Joaquin Velazquez, 124, eight. Enrique Lima, 125, TKOd Lester Marquez, 125, six. Miguel Gomez, 116, TKOd Felipe Belman, 117, three. Rafael Lopez, 134, decisioned Guillermo Hernandez, 133, four.

▶ **Guadalajara, Jalisco**—Rafael Macias, 113, kayoed Monito Rosales, 112, six. Felipe Vaca, 116, stopped Felipe Bastidas, 118, six.

▶ **Monterrey, Nuevo Leon**—Ray Lazo, 125, defeated Apolonio Reyna, 122, 10. Alberto "Raton" Palacios, 125, TKOd Jose Agraz, 124, five.

▶ **San Luis Rio Colorado, Sonora**—Esteban Fabela, 124, won from Ramiro Nides, 123, 10.

▶ **Tijuana, Baja California**—Raul "Lobito" Montoya, 128, gained a decision from Eddie Linder, 128, U.S.A., 10. Juan Montoya, 124, and Hector "Cuervo" Hernandez, 125, drew, 10.

▶ **Mexico, D.F.**—Lupe Ramirez, 135, TKOd Agustin Chavez, 135, four. Romeo Anaya, 116, TKOd Jorge Reyes, 117, two. Rodolfo Aparicio, 117, iced Antonio Ortega, 115, one. Jorge Carrasco, 111, TKOd Ricardo Falcon, 112, one. Jorge Sanchez, 117, won over Chango Bustos, 117, four.

▶ **Veracruz**—Memo Rodriguez, 112, decisioned Esteban Rangel, 113, 10.

▶ **Acapulco, Guerrero**—Fernando Fernandez, 116, TKOd Francisco "Sugar" Pino, 117, eight. Alex Olguin, 139, stopped Herminio "Loba" Ramirez, 140, five.

▶ **Tapachula, Chiapas**—Angel Macias, 120, beat Baby Ricalde, 124, 10.

▶ **Mexico, D.F.**—Chucho Almazan, 135, TKOd Enrique Peñaranda, 134, six. Arturo Leon, 118, TKOd Armando Ramirez, 115, eight. Roberto Vazquez, 117, destroyed Anacleto Resendiz, 116, four.

▶ **Zacatecas**—Roberto Peña, 154, stopped "Gringo" Lopez, 150, seven.

▶ **Acapulco, Guerreo**—Erubey "Chango" Carmona, 133, TKOd Juan Enrique Escobar, 134, Colombia, five. Jose Abadiano, 118, bested Joel Garcia, 117, 10. Eliseo Flores, 124, stopped Marcos "Perro" Aguilar, 122, two. Rosalio Mendiolea, 115, whipped Chano Rodriguez, 114, six. Alfredo Perez, 117, halted Manuel Campos, 115, two.

▶ **Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas**—Chucho Montoya, 117, TKOd Pablo Vega, 117, eight. Pablo "Zurdo" Montoya, 124, TKOd Chamaco Diaz, 125, four. Saul Montano, 115, embalmed Raul Velazco, 115, one. Javier Jimenez, 114, TKOd "Zurdo" Rodriguez, 113, two.

▶ **Mexico, D.F.**—Raymundo Cardoso, 118, defeated Rafael Gonzalez, 118, 10. Francisco "Panchito" Gomez, 112, beat Jesus "Titino" Gonzalez, 111, 10. Memo Espinosa, 116, TKOd Rodolfo Aguilar, 117, three. Jose Salas, 124, TKOd Pablo Hernandez, 125, three. Jose Ostria, 124, halted Jose Luis Lima, 124, two.

▶ **Monterrey, Nuevo Leon**—Crisanto Valenzuela, 133, put Oscar Rico, 130, to sleep in three. Clemente Sanchez, 126, TKOd German Bastidas, 123, six. Manuel Bastidas, 129, TKOd Alfonso "Coneja" Aguirre, 133, nine.

▶ **Mexico, D.F.**—Ricardo "Pajaro" Solis, 116, and Jaime "Dumbo" Perez, 117, drew, 10. Beto Ojeda, 111, TKOd Nemesio Zenil, 111, seven. Jose Sanchez, 117, won by a disqualification from Miguel Gonzalez, 117, four. Pedro Lozano, 133, TKOd Jesus Garay, 134, four. Jesus Hernandez, 134, beat Jesus Perez, 135, four.

▶ **Ciudad Mante, Tamaulipas**—Alfredo Morales, 133, TKOd Tino Rodriguez, 135, four.

▶ **Guadalajara, Jalisco**—Gustavo Garcia, 141, bested Antonio "Babe" Reyes, 145, 10. Beto Gonzalez, 124, TKOd Victor Salcido, 122, four.

▶ **Ciudad Madero, Tamaulipas**—Jose Luis Cruz, 142, iced Beto Guzman, 144, one.

▶ **Ciudad Victoria, Tamaulipas**—Aurelio Muñiz, 124, stopped "Cachorro" Menodoza, 125, four. Benjamin Ibañez, 122, embalmed Chamaco Avila, 124, three. Raymundo Garcia, 118, bested Chuy Miranda, 115, 10.

▶ **Tijuana, Baja California**—Ricardo Arredondo, 119, TKOd Juan Baez, 117, four. Gerardo Ferrat, 126, TKOd Rigoberto Chavarin, 130, seven. Antonio Garcia halted Fermin Ojeda, two.

▶ **Tapachula, Chiapas**—Fillo Morales, 117, and Gustavo Sosa, 117, 10.

RALSTON BATTERS WRIGHT TO BUFFALO'S GREAT DELIGHT

By Ray Banks

Buffalo, N.Y.—Jimmy Ralston had no trouble in administering a sound licking to Detroit veteran Ted Wright. Referee Eddie Seres failed to credit Wright with winning even one round. The judges, however, each gave Wright two rounds.

Ralston, 174, started rather slowly against the veteran and took several solid shots from Wright, 173, in the third. In the next round though the local lad opened up with two-fisted flurries that had Ted backing up.

Ralston almost put Wright away in the fifth and had him in serious trouble again in the ninth. Realizing that he would have to score a knockout to win, Wright started to open up in the 10th but, after tasting a few of Ralston's rights, decided to go back on the defensive.

After the bout Wright, who has gone the distance with Griffith, Benvenuti, and Rodriguez, admitted that he had "never been hit so hard and often" and on several occasions had to call on his experience to "prevent a knockout." Ralston looked more impressive against Wright than did Doyle Baird, in Baird's recent triumph over Wright.

In the six-round semi-final Tony Labarbara, 135, Buffalo, and Tommy Christian, 135, Columbus, staged a real war that saw each judge vote differently. The draw decision pleased the fans.

Unbeaten Buffalo lightweight Vince Cala scored his eighteenth win over Julie Mandell, Toronto. Cala won five of the six rounds.

Welterweight Dick Topinko survived a knee to the groin by Akron's Sam Ivory to win a unanimous decision over four.

In the curtain raiser, Buffalo heavy Chuck Haynes was unable to land his heavy artillery but scored an easy win over Gene Hunt, Akron.

REFEREE PROBLEM RISES ANEW AS PRITCHETT LOSES IN OLD MILANO

By JOHNNY SHARPE

LONDON, England—To Rome for Henry Cooper's win, to Milan for Johnny Pritchett's loss. So goes it.

Pritchett, British and Empire middleweight champion, was unfortunate in losing to Juan Carlos Duran, Argentine-born Italian, when referee Kurt Rado, of Austria, disqualified him for alleged butting during the 13th round.

The referee erred when he took Duran to the side of the ring for the doctor to examine the champion's damaged eye after ordering both boxers to "box on"... The doctor waved his hands to say that the damage was too bad for Duran to continue, so referee Rado went to Pritchett's corner and ruled him out.

Duran stood over five inches taller than Pritchett, and as both men came forward punching, there was a clash of heads, and Duran came off the worse. He stood back when the referee ordered them to box on. The wily Duran stood back appealing to the referee.

When is a foul blow not a foul? The answer is, "When the recipient contributes to what is called a foul blow."

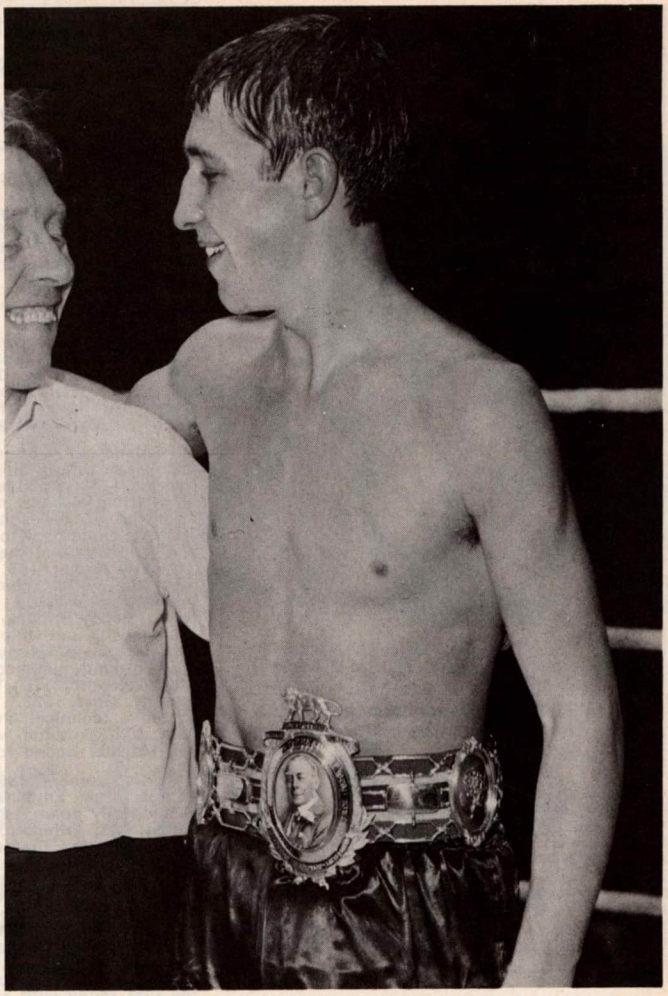
As the referee ordered both boxers to box on, then it was clearly his duty to declare that Pritchett was the winner because Duran refused to continue.

Duran, the taller, used a "trombone" left to which many of his blows did not reach the target. With the Briton landing left hooks to the head Duran was in dire straits.

From the eighth round, Pritchett took command. His hooks from both hands landed on the head of Duran, and it appeared that a new European champion was to be crowned.

In the 11th, Pritchett stepped up the pace, as a weary Duran was bleeding from a cut high up on the forehead. Earlier in the bout, it was Pritchett who received a cut eye. It yielded to treatment.

Duran looked his best during the middle rounds, scoring with right uppercuts as Pritchett came forward. But the Briton fought a determined battle with effective punching. (*Continued on page 56*)



British lightweight king Ken Buchanan scored his 30th and 31st consecutive victories without a loss when he took the measure of Mike Cruz and Jose Luis Torcidu during the past month. Cruz was stopped in four, while Torcidu was decisioned in eight.

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

(UP TO APRIL 20, 1969)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
1. Henry Cooper (E)
2. George Chuvalo (C)
3. Jack Bodell (E)
4. Brian London (E)
5. Carl Gizzi (W)
6. Billy Walker (E)
7. Roger Tighe (E)
8. Bob Cleroux (C)
9. Roy Enifer (E)
10. Rocky Campbell (Gu)

CRUISERWEIGHTS
1. Dick Tiger (Bi)
2. Bob Dunlop (A)
3. Eddie Avoth (W)
4. Young McCormack (E)
5. John Hendrickson (BWI)
6. Dickie Owens (E)
7. Milo Calhoun (J)
8. Leweni Waqa (Fi)
9. Ray Ako (E)
10. Lloyd Walford (J)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
1. Johnny Pritchett (E)
2. Les McAteer (E)
3. Wally Swift (E)
4. Gomeo Brennan (B)
5. Mark Rowe (E)
6. Lionel Ifill (Gu)
7. Bunny Sterling (J)
8. Harry Scott (E)
9. Roy Beekin (A)
10. Fred Taupola (A)

WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Ralph Charles (E)
2. Lennox Beckles (Gu)
3. Joey Durelle (C)
4. Chuck Henderson (E)
5. Obletty Commey (G)
6. Johnny Cooke (E)
7. Peter Coblah (G)
8. Castors Abbey (G)
9. Pat Dwyer (E)
10. Peter Cragg (E)

Jr. WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Des Rea (I)
2. Vic Andreetti (E)
3. Maurice Cullen (E)
4. Don McMillan (S)
5. Willie Rea (I)
6. Pat McCormack (I)
7. Bobby Arthur (E)
8. Billy Seasmas (E)
9. Jackie Turpin (E)
10. Al Breau (C)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Ken Buchanan (S)
2. Percy Hayles (J)
3. Bunny Grant (J)
4. Ray Adigun (N)
5. Jim McCormack (I)
6. Joe Tetteh (G)
7. Al Ford (C)
8. Jake Gulino (A)
9. Brian Hudson (E)
10. Arthur Bradley (A)

Jr. LIGHTWEIGHTS
1. Jimmy Anderson (E)
2. Love Alottey (G)
3. Brian Cartwright (E)
4. George O'Neill (E)
5. Colin Lake (E)
6. Len Gillis (C)
7. Terry Ball (A)
8. Gilberto Biondi (A)
9. Jimmy Bell (S)
10. Laurence Hafey (C)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
1. Johnny Famechon (A)
2. John O'Brien (S)
3. Jimmy Revie (E)
4. Billy McGrandle (C)
5. Toro George (NZ)
6. Brian Packer (E)
7. Bobby Fisher (S)
8. Reg Gullefer (E)
9. Bobby Daldy (A)
10. Sean McCafferty (I)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
1. Alan Rudkin (E)
2. Walter McGowan (S)
3. Johnny Clark (E)
4. Evan Armstrong (S)
5. Glyn Davies (W)
6. Patrick Mambwe (Z)
7. Bob Alottey (G)
8. Jim McAuley (I)
9. Steve Curtis (W)
10. John Fitzgerald (E)

FLYWEIGHTS
1. John McCluskey (S)
2. Tony Barlow (E)
3. Tony Williams (W)
4. George Hind (S)
5. Alex Martin (C)
6. Art Hafey (C)
7. Kid Miller (Z)
8. Bill Amos (Z)

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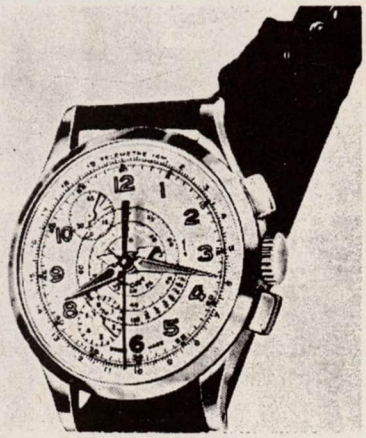

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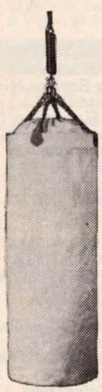

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OLD MAN RIVER JOHNSON
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By Don Hamill

Portland, Me.—During the past month two more clubs opened in New England. Lenny Moore as promoter, and his former light heavyweight charge, Al Kivlin, as matchmaker, ran a show in Zyla's Auction House in Merrimack, N.H. The response was terrific and plans are to run every other week.

Boxing returned to Lawrence, Mass., after an absence of 20 years.

Nick Abraham, owner of the Four Seasons Arena in Walpole, Mass., purchased the Frost Arena in Lawrence. Unfortunately, the arena is aptly name. Until the weather warms, or some manner of heating the ice skating rink is devised, further shows are not scheduled.

▶ **Portland, Me.**—Georgie Johnson, 171, Trenton, just keeps rolling along. This time he took Pat Roberts, 173, Philadelphia, in 10 rounds. The hard-hitting Roberts nearly scored an upset as he twice decked Johnson in the third round. Johnson came back to drop Roberts in the fourth and held the lead the rest of the way.

Jimmy Archer, 155, New York, scored the second win of his comeback when he stopped Dewey Hodrick, 150, Toledo, O., in the second round. Bobby Bridges, 150, Lowell, also launched a comeback and whipped Skip Yeaton, 151, Belfast, Me., in a six-round thriller. Tommy Butts, 161, Portland, punched out a unanimous six over Dick Giguento, 170, Trenton. Former Olympian Sammy Goss, 123, Trenton, turned pro and scored a technical knockout when Henry Wickham, 127, Portland, was unable to answer the bell for the second round.

▶ **North Adams, Mass.**—Al Romano, 146, North Adams, New England welterweight champion, successfully defended his title against Gabe LaMarca, 143, Arlington, Mass. A left hook floored LaMarca in the first and a right to the jaw did it again in the sixth round. LaMarca hit Romano with an overhand right instead of touching gloves at the outset of the final round. Romano backed LaMarca into the ropes and hit him with a right to the jaw. LaMarca pitched forward and was out several minutes.

Walter Moore, 160, Roxbury, staggered Dick Giguento, 168, Trenton, N.J., several times in the first round with a left hook before dropping him for the full count with a right to the jaw. Sammy Goss, 124, Trenton, stopped Jose Garcia, 127, Worcester, in the second round. Lou (Kid) Falu, 140, Worcester, battled to a draw in the four-round opener with his fellow townsman, Marcello Trinidad, 139.

▶ **Portland**—Irish Jimmy McDermott relinquished his New England light heavyweight title rather than put it on the line for what he called small purses. Pete Riccitelli, 173, Portland, and Eddie Spence, 172, Pittsfield, Mass., battled for the title. They had split in fights with McDermott. Riccitelli boxed well and used his speed to advantage. Spence, having recently whipped Pete, appeared over-confident and fought only in spurts. Riccitelli won the 10 and the title.

Leo DiFiore, 130, Portland, atoned for a defeat at the hands of the lanky veteran Johnny Bean, 130, New York, by scoring a clean knockout in the sixth round with a solid right to the button. Bob Hughes, 139, New York, a fast punching but awkward boxer, got Jerry Graci, 138, Arlington, Mass., off on the wrong foot and Graci never was able to get himself onto the right track. Hughes walked off with a surprise decision. In the opener, Billy Coney, 157, New York, stopped Hap Horan, 162, Pittsfield, in the second round.

▶ **Merrimack, N.H.**—Manny Feitas, 159, Lowell, Mass., turned in one of his most impressive wins when he threw a short right to the jaw of Walter Moore, 158, Roxbury, Mass., to score a clean knockout. Moore had been on the floor in the first round, too.

Gene Roberts, 159, Portland, Me., punched a shutout win over Al Demango, 168, Philadelphia, getting every one of the eight rounds. Buddy Carr, 147, Lowell, and Freddy Duquette, 143, Brockton, Mass., slugged it out for six rounds, with Carr getting an unpopular decision. Veteran Dick McCarthy, 156, Medford, spoiled the pro debut of the New Hampshire amateur middleweight champion Dave Gates, 160, Laconia, N.H. They traded leather for four rounds with McCarthy's experience earning the decision.

▶ **Lawrence, Mass.**—Casto Ramirez, 126½, New York, turned in an impressive appearance as he scored a knockout over Lloyd Wilson, 125, New York. A solid right to the whiskers dropped Wilson midway in the third round. He was still trying to get to his feet at 10.

Hilton Whittaker, 157, Plainfield, N.J., and Dave Dittmar, 156, White Plains, slugged it out for six rounds with little to choose between them. The draw verdict was well received. Jose Garcia, 125, Worcester, was ahead on points but had to bow out at the end of the second round to Kid Petito, 126, New York, because of a cut over his left eye. Charley Scott, 143, White Plains, scored three knockdowns in the first round to win by an automatic knockout over Lou Falu, 138½, Worcester. Sammy Molinas, 142, Worcester, was too ringwise for Mike Hodge, 140½, Lawrence, and spoiled the pro debut of the localite by taking the unanimous four-round duke.

▶ **Portland**—Tommy Foss, 162, Peak's Island, Me., used a devastating body attack to stop Leroy (Kid) Fullard, 158, Fernandina Beach, Fla., in the third round. Foss brought Fullard down in the second round with body blows.

Tony Lampron, 171, Westbrook, Me., used his height and reach to advantage to whip Jimmy Cherico, 175, Brooklyn, in the eight-round semi-final. Lampron kept his long left pumping into Cherico's features to pile up the points. Gene Roberts, 158, Portland, proved too smooth and experienced for Gene Herrick, 153, Saco, and won a unanimous six-round decision. Jesse Crown, 204, Portland, survived a couple of rough sessions to flatten Young Joe Louis, 203, New York, in the third round of the six-round opener.

▶ **Taunton**—Doug Hogan, 199, Medford, Mass., scored a third-round knockout over Mike Bruce, 218, Springfield. Bruce, not in the best of shape, made an all-out stand in the first round and succeeded in rocking Hogan. The latter unleashed a body attack in the second and third rounds as Bruce's energy waned. A left hook to the head spun Bruce into the ropes. Moments later a left-right combination drove Bruce thru the ropes to the ring apron for the full count.

Jose Llanos, 127, New York, spoiled the pro debut of amateur sensation Ken Campbell, 128, Providence, R.I., by icing him late in the first round. Freddy Duquette, 142, Brockton, Mass., repeated over Juan Rivera, 143, Boston, by taking a unanimous four-round duke. Bobby Covino, 172, Somerville, finished strong to earn a four-round split decision over Norman Nesbitt, 171, New York. In the opener, Nikita Tarhocker, 156, New York, stopped Bobby Townsend, 156, Brockton, and spoiled his pro debut. Townsend was unable to answer the bell for the final heat.

▶ **North Adabs**—Al Romno, 146, North Adams, found late substitute Johnny Pilla, 150, Waterbury, Conn., a stubborn foe and had to settle for a split decision after 10 rounds. Pilla made Romano fight his fight and outslugged him in the exchanges. Pilla tired coming down the stretch and Romano picked up enough points to squeeze thru to a win.

Sammy Goss, 125½, Trenton, scored three knockdowns in the fourth round over Kid Petito, 126, New York, in the third round although he was unable to get Dunn off his feet. Dunn was counted out standing up. Terry Rondeau, 125, Pittsfield, outlasted Jose Cruz, 126, Worcester, to win a unanimous decision after four rounds. Jack Kelsey, 148, Cohoes, N.Y., scored a second-round knockout over Sammy Molinas, 142, Worcester.

MARYLAND'S MERRY ● MAULERS ●
By Joe Poodles, Sr.

After a three-month layoff the Sports Activities Boxing Club swung back into action at the Steelworkers Hall in Baltimore with a triple-header.

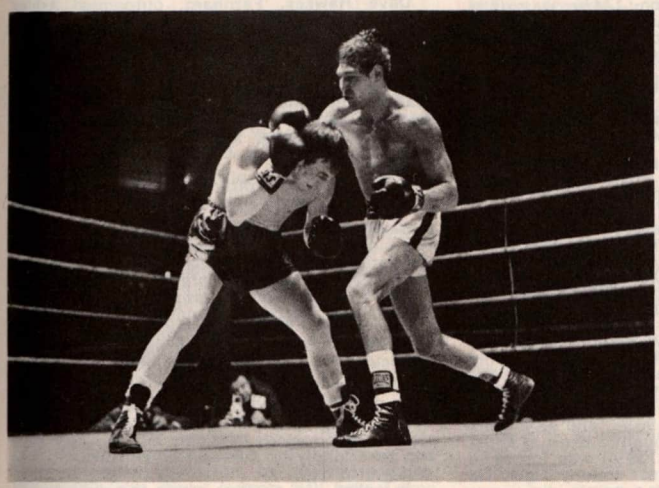
In the feature eight-rounder, Buddy Boggs of Oxen Hill, Md. unanimously decisioned Jose Myers, of Chester, Pa. Although the decision handed down by the official was one-sided, Myers gave a good account of himself with some lusty walloping that opened a cut over his foe's left eye. The decision in Boggs' favor was popular with the crowd and both of the hard fighting lads were given a standing ovation at the end of this stubbornly fought welterweight scrap.

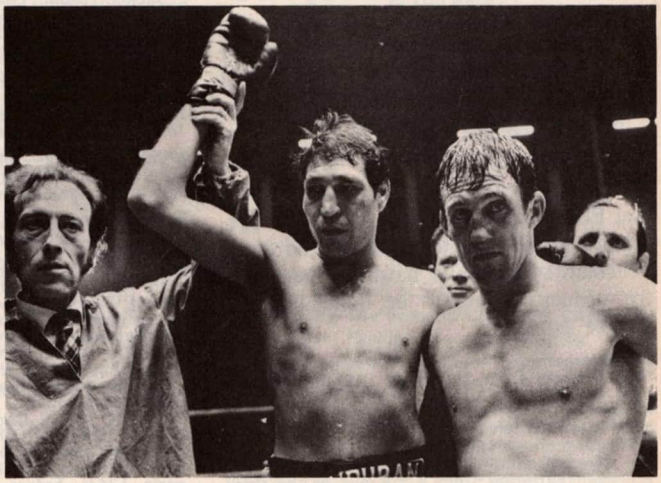
Bobby Lee, 131, Washington, D.C., remained undefeated after copping an eight-round decision, unanimously, over New Yorker Bobby Hughes, who outweighed Lee by 6½ pounds. This was the second time Lee licked Hughes, both times the fight going the limit. Hughes is the only foe of Lee's to go the limit in an eight-bout winning skein.

Vernon Mason, 149, Baltimore, scored a six-round TKO over Dot Dews, 153, Washington, D.C., in a scheduled eight-rounder. Mason, who looks better in every outing, was handing Dews a shutout at the time the referee stopped the bout at the end of the sixth.

Larry Middleton, Baltimore heavyweight, won a split six-round decision over Roy Williams of Philadelphia.

Bobby Watts, 152, Philadelphia, made his pro debut a resounding success by winning a six-round decision over Teddy Cooper, 147½, of Washington, D.C.





(Left) Juan Carlos Duran (right) defends his European middleweight crown against England's Johnny Pritchett in a scheduled 15-rounder at Milan, Italy. In the photo at right, Duran's hand is raised in victory as Pritchett glumly looks on. Duran was declared the winner when Pritchett was disqualified for alleged butting in the 13th round.

Ring Reporter Tree Calls Duran Decision "Diabolical"

By J. A. TREE

ROME, Italy—A diabolical decision saved Carlos Duran's European middleweight crown in Milan when challenger Johnny Pritchett, Britain, was disqualified in round 13 for alleged butting.

The Italian's cut eyebrow was visible as they parted from a clinch and as Pritchett started to throw punches again Duran appealed to referee Kid Rado, Austria. The fight was stopped and a doctor was invited to inspect the laceration. Pritchett, leading on points, thought he had won, only to hear that he had been disqualified.

If Pritchett was to be disqualified, then why was a doctor called? This was not necessary, nor is there provision in the rules for doctor's advice.

Britain is used to this for it has seen only two boxers, Dave Charney and Howard Winstone, win the European crown in Italy. In 12 battles, Britain lost 10, drew 1 and 1 was declared "No Contest."

In Barcelona, European lightweight champion Pedro Carrasco, Spain, retained his crown, beating 30-year-old Tore Magnussen, Norway, TKO three, after the challenger had been decked three times. Europe's youngest promoter, 38-year-old Italian Rino Tommasi, said he has promoted 23 European title bouts since 1960 and no Italian boxer had lost.

At the Palazzo Dello Sport here, Britain's European champion, Henry Cooper halted Rino's running streak by KOing challenger Piero Tomasoni, Italy, in frame five.

Tomasoni failed in his third attempt to win the European heavyweight crown. Having already dropped two decisions to former champion Karl Mildenberger, he was KOed in five by Cooper. British champion

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EUROPEAN RATINGS

(UP TO APRIL 20, 1969)

HEAVYWEIGHTS
*1. Henry Cooper (GB)
2. Karl Mildenberger (G)
3. Piero Tomasoni (I)
4. Peter Weiland (G)
5. Jürgen Blin (G)
6. Wilhelm von Homburg (G)
7. Gerhard Zech (G)
8. Dante Cane (I)
9. Hans Jörgen Jacobsen (D)
10. Bernard Thebault (F)

LIGHT HEAVIES
*1. Tom Bogs (D)
2. Ivan Prebeg (Y)
3. Piero Del Papa (I)
4. Lothar Stengel (G)
5. Vittorio Saraudi (I)
6. Guerrino Scattolin (I)
7. Alfredo Vogrig (I)
8. Harry Kneipp (G)
9. Arno Prick (G)
10. Pekka Kokkonen (Fn)

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
*1. Carlos Duran (I)
2. Yolande Leveque (F)
3. Jacques Marty (F)
4. Pascal Di Benedetto (F)
5. Luis Folledo (S)
6. Jean Bouttier (F)
7. Souleymane Diallo (F)
8. Mario Lamage (I)
9. Hans Dieter Schwartz (G)
10. Karl Brunnholzl (G)

LIGHT MIDDLES
*1. Remo Golfarini (I)
2. Sandro Mazzinghi (I)
3. Fabio Bettini (I)
4. Gerhard Piaskowy (G)
5. Jose Gonzales (F)
6. Bo Peterson (Sw)
7. Luigi Patruno (I)
8. Messimo Bruschini (I)
9. Peter Markewitch (A)
10. Soulemane Diallo (F)

WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Silvano Bertini (I)
2. Fighting Mack (H)
3. Carmelo Bossi (I)
4. Jean Josselin (F)
5. Marcel Cerdan (F)
6. Johan Orsolics (A)
7. Robert Gallois (F)
8. Domico Tiberia (I)
9. Antonio Torres (S)
10. Jose Gonzalez (S)

LIGHT WELTERS
*1. Bruno Arcari (I)
2. Juan Sombrita (S)
3. Barera Corpas (S)
4. Willi Quatuor (G)
5. Conny Rudhof (G)
6. Sandro Lopopolo (I)
7. Romani Fanali (I)
8. Rene Roque (F)
9. Ermano Fasoli (I)
10. Roger Zami (F)

LIGHTWEIGHTS
*1. Pedro Carrasco (S)
2. Miguel Velasquez (S)
3. Olli Mäki (Fn)
4. Kid Tano (S)
5. Maurice Tavant (F)
6. Bruno Melissano (I)
7. Börge Krogh (D)
8. Harry Piitulainen (Fn)
9. Tore Magnussen (Ny)
10. Preben Rasmussen (D)

FEATHERWEIGHTS
*1. Manuel Calvo (S)
2. Jose Legra (S)
3. Lothar Abend (G)
4. Nevio Carbi (I)
5. Michel Houdeau (F)
6. Kouider Meftah (F)
7. Renato Galli (I)
8. Giovanni Girgenti (I)
9. Jean Parra (F)
10. Enrico Gismondi (I)

BANTAMWEIGHTS
*1. Salvatore Burruni (I)
2. Franco Zurlo (I)
3. Felix Brami (F)
4. Ben Ali (S)
5. Tommasoni Galli (I)
6. Antonio Sassarini (I)
7. Francisco Martinez (S)
8. Pierre Vetroff (F)
9. Carmelo Massa (I)
10. Jose Arranz (S)

FLYWEIGHTS
*1. Fernando Atzori (I)
2. Franco Sperati (I)
3. Fritz Chervet (Sd)
4. Fabian Bellanco (S)
5. Manuel Alvarez (S)
6. Gerard Macres (F)
7. Vittorio Riccardi (I)
8. Antonio Garcia (S)
9. Joseph Horny (B)
10. Giuseppe Luciano (I)

*European Champion

Legend: B Belgium; D Denmark; F France; Fn Finland; G Germany; H Holland; I Italy; L Luxembourg; Ny Norway; S Spain; Sd Switzerland; Sw Sweden; Y Yugoslavia.

THE BRITISH ISLES

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The action of Duran in complaining to the referee every time that Pritchett came close gave the contest farcical overtones,

When the bout ended, the ring was in- and the crowd voiced its dissent.

vaded by people who wanted to get in the act, and asking the referee what he had done and what he should have done.

Rado stood his ground and said that Pritchett was disqualified for butting. The round, in slow motion, clearly showed that Pritchett was not to blame for the premature ending. Tough luck for Johnny Pritchett, who should have been declared the winner. What's to be done with this referee situation?

▶ **Wolverhampton** — Jimmy Revie, southpaw featherweight from Stockwell, 126, had to work hard to beat Ola Alalade, of Nigeria, 126. The latter was forced to retire at the end of the sixth when his left eye was closed.

Revie scored a knockdown in the first when the Nigerian came out with both arms swinging. Although suffering from a cut eye in the third, Revie took command and punished Alalade till the referee intervened.

Jack Coates, Derby, 196, outpointed Paul Brown, Birmingham, 200, in six.

Andy Peace, Rugby, 149, knocked out Les Ferdinand, London, 152, in the first.

Larry Brown, Birmingham, 159½, and Len Gregory, Hackney, 157½, drew in a hard-hitting six.

Tei Dovie, Ghana, 138½, was a good points winner over Geoff Williams, Battersea, 132½, in six.

▶ **World Sporting Club, London**—Ken Buchanan, 132½, British lightweight champion, overwhelmed Mike Cruz, Puerto Rico, 133½, and scored a one-sided victory. Referee Harry Humphries stopped the contest to save Cruz from further punishment in the fourth round.

Rocky Campbell, Leicester, 191½, ruined the aspirations of Billy Gray, Walsall, 199½, who was making a comeback, in the third, when the latter was toppled for a count of eight, and on rising was in no condition to defend himself. The referee intervened.

The upset of the evening was the defeat of Johnny Cheshire, Ayr, 136½, who was forced to retire at the end of the fourth, when he received a cut eye against Tommy Tiger, Nigeria, 137½.

Peter Knight, Leicester, 163½, outpointed Peter Carson, Paddington, 164½, in a six.

Buchanan scored a second victory not long after the Cruz affair when he outpointed Jose Luis Torcidu, junior lightweight champion of Spain, in an eight-rounder at Sulihull. It was little more than an exhibition as the Scot took every round. Nobody got decked, nobody got hurt, Buchanan got another pay day, and the book will say "31 straight for the Scot."

▶ **Manchester**—Frank Young, Belfast, 149, gained a narrow points win over Billy Seasman, Liverpool, 145½, in eight. Young was floored for nine in the sixth, but he fought on.

Peter Lane, Nottingham, 162, stopped Frank Dolan, Manchester, 155½, in the fourth.

Victor Paul, St. Helens, 135, stopped Tony Cunningham, Bootle, 135, in the fifth.

▶ **Nottingham**—Under the joint promotion of Reg King and Jack Solomons, Vic Andreetti, Hoxton, 139, defeated Des Rea, Liverpool and Ireland, 138¾, for the latter's junior welterweight title, over 15 exciting rounds.

Referee Wally Thom scored them 73¾ to 73¼.

That's how close they were at the end. It was after the 11th that the Londoner went into the lead and clinched matters in the last two rounds.

There was a spectacular ending to the contest between Jack Bodell, Swadlincote, 205¼, and Roosevelt Eddie, U.S.A., 239¼, who were scheduled to go 10 rounds.

As soon as the bell sounded for the first round, the American advanced quickly to the center of the ring and threw a long right to Bodell's jaw. Down went Jack on all fours. He got to one knee. Instead of retreating to a neutral corner, Eddie let fly two punches as Bodell rested on the canvas . . . One of these punches cut Bodell's left eye, which spurted blood. This forced referee Roland Dakin to force the raging Roosevelt to his corner, disqualified.

The American had no one to blame but himself for being ruled out. A fighter with his experience should have known that when an opponent is on the canvas, he MUST retreat to a neutral corner till told by the referee to box on.

The pay of the American was held up till stewards of the British Board of Control decide if he should receive anything over his fare. He will be a big loser when the decision is announced.

Wally Swift, Nottingham, scored a surprise victory over Les McAteer, Birkenhead, in 10 rounds at 162.

In a closely fought battle, the 32-year-old veteran forged ahead in the last three rounds to win by 49½ to 49.

Jackie Turpin, Leamington, 144½, was quite in a hurry against Peter Hughes, Cardiff, 141¼, and put the latter down for two counts in the first. The referee intervened to save the Welshman.

Robin Polak, Nottingham, 148½, and Les Pearson, Pontefract, 144¾, fought a draw in six. Paul Swinscoe, Nottingham, 127¼, outpointed Joey Lando, Liverpool, 128¾, in six.

▶ **Johannesburg**—Johnny Kramer, West Ham, was clearly outpointed by Willie Ludick, South Africa, in a middleweight 10.

▶ **National Sporting Club, London**—Overconfidence cost Reading cruiserweight Dickie Owens, 174½, his first real defeat in 15 outings, when he met Lloyd Walford, Jamaica, 176, in a scheduled eight. In front after outboxing and outhitting Walford, he was caught with a long right to the jaw which put him down for eight. The referee stopped the contest. Walford gained revenge for a points defeat that the 20-year-old Owens had gained three months earlier.

Owens appeared ready to box on when the bout was stopped.

Dennis Avoth, Cardiff, 193½, and Obe Hepburn, Manchester, 199½, fought a draw in eight.

Pat McCormack, Dublin, 139½, was forced to go the full six rounds against Tommy Tiger, Nigeria, 134¾, before gaining a points win.

Patrick Mahoney, Cardiff, 168, outpointed Vince Baker, Leicester, 164½, in six.

▶ **Derby**—Kenny Cooper, Birmingham, 129½, made it a three-timer, when he again outpointed Gerry McBride, Manchester, 128½. There was little to choose between them after eight rounds.

John Smith, Sutton-in-Ashfield, 169, outpointed Mike Keeney, Galway, 169½, in six.

Peter Lane, Sutton-in-Ashfield, 163½, stopped Don Reid, Birmingham, 159½, in the second.

Sangster Dart, Jamaica, 137½,, stopped Joe Cascales, Northampton, 134, in the second.

Rocky Davies, Loughborough, outpointed Glassford Grant, Birmingham, in a heavyweight six.

▶ **Anglo-American Sporting Club, London**—Evan Armstrong, Ayr, gained a hard-earned points win over Billy Hardacre, Liverpool, Central Area featherweight champion, in eight. The Liverpool lad was forced to take three counts, and fought an uphill battle.

Peter Boddington, Coventry, ran his unbeaten string to twelve wins when he forced referee Bill White to intervene in the fourth after Charlie Wilson, Jamaica, had received a badly cut eye.

Eric Elderfield, Hammersmith, outpointed Laurie Redfern, Liverpool, in a bantamweight six.

John Charles, Finchley, stopped Billy Brown, Bethnal Green, in the second of a welterweight contest.

▶ **Kensington**—Joe Tetteh, Ghana, 136, again defeated Lex Hunter, Antigua, 137, for the third time when the referee intervened in th fourth.

Malcolm Lowe, Sheffield, 127, and Steve Elliston, Bermondsey, 125, fought a thrilling bout with the honors going to Lowe at the end of eight.

Roger Howes, Norwich, 126, stopped Jimmy Allen, Battersea, 125¾, in the sixth.

Joe Somerville, Watford, outpointed Billy Deasey, Oxford, in a middleweight six.

▶ **Royal Albert Hall, London**—Jimmy Anderson, Enfield, 130, British junior lightweight champion, made the Lonsdale Belt his own property, when he defeated Colin Lake, Holloway, 129, in 2:50 of the seventh. Referee Bill Williams excused Lake.

Lake defeated Anderson in an over weight match a month earlier. Anderson was disqualified for kidney punching.

Winning over Lake for the junior welterweight title, gives Lake a yearly pension of 52 pounds.

Johnny Clark, Walworth, 119¼, won his third victory in 14 days, when he stopped Ahcene, Tunis, 120, in the sixth.

After visiting the Tunisian's corner at the end of the fifth, referee Harry Gibbs allowed him to come out for the sixth. After 50 seconds, Gibbs intervened.

Mark Rowe, Camberwell, 158½, did a good job on Pascal Benedetto, France, 162, who was rescued by the referee after 2:40 of the fourth.

The hit of the show was Joe Bugner, 208, St. Ives, who was born in Hungary. He stands 6 feet 2 inches, and is not yet 19 years of age. He defeated Terry Feeley, Glasgow, 189, in 2:23 of the first.

At the outset the Scot tore into Bugner, but when the latter settled down wih solid short punches, he soon had Feeley reeling around the ring and in no condition to defend hmself. Referee Harry Gibbs called a halt.

Peter McCann, Birkenhead, 162, stopped Dervan Airey, Briston, 165, in the third.

Brian Hudson, Woodford, 132¾, stopped Winston Thomas, St. Pancras, 127½, in the seventh.

Bernie Terrell, Edmonton, 144½, outpointed Pat Marshall, Bristol, 145, in six.

▶ **Bristol**—Maurice Cullen, Durham, former lightweight champion, returned after a long layoff to give a boxing lesson to Tommy Carson, Hammersmith, in a junior welterweight eight.

Cullen's left was never out of Carson's face. Referee Bill White's score card read: 40-38¼.

Dave Hawkes, Farnham, outpointed Ashley Hutchinson, Bristol, in a cruiserweight six.

Gary Chippendale, Bristol, stopped Len Gregory, Antigua, in the third of a middleweight contest.

"Young" Bobby Fisher, Bristol, made a good start in the paid ranks with a points win over Geoff Williams, Hoxton, in a featherweight six.

Clarence "Young" Cassius, Jamaica, knocked out Pat Vernie, St. Lucia, in the third of a middleweight bout.

Eddie Avoth, Cardiff, outpointed Jack Cotes, Derby, in a heavyweight six.

▶ **Bedford**—Charlie White, Northampton, was too clever for Billy Wynter, Antigua, and when the latter received a badly cut eye in the seventh, referee Harry Humphries called a halt.

Ade Ajasco, Nigeria, stopped Bill Deasey, Oxford, in the fourth of a middleweight bout.

Billy Lynch, Crystal Palace, outpointed Ricky McCulloch, London, in a lightweight six.

Mickey Jay, London, outpointed Joe Cassell, Highbury, in a middleweight six.

▶ **Shoreditch**—Joe Bugner, St. Ives, Hungarian heavyweight, won clearly on points against Ulric Regis, Trinidad, in eight, but the crowd did not take kindly to referee Bill Williams decision of 39½ to 38½.

It looked like another inside the distance win for Bugner when he decked Ulric for six near the end of the second round and for two in the third. Ulric rallied during the middle rounds.

Bernie Terrell, Edmonton, stopped Peter Hughes, Cardiff, in the second of a welterweight contest.

Mick Cain, Canvey Island, outpointed Clive Cook, Cardiff, in a middleweight eight.

Dave Proud, Penge, stopped Brian Quinn, Swindon, in the first of a welterweight contest.

Keith White, East Ham, outpointed Brian Whelan, Luton, in a welterweight six.

Peter Cate, Brighton, stopped Alan Medley, Poole, in the fourth of a welterweight bout.

▶ **Kingsway, London**—Johnny Clark, Walworth, gained a clear points win over Karim Young, Nigeria, in a bantamweight eight.

Eric Blake, Leatherhead, made a successful pro debut with a five-round win over Danny Fontillo, Bermondsey, in a welterweight contest. The referee intervened.

Dave Proud, Penge, repeated his points win over Ray Fallone, Battersea, in a welterweight six.

▶ **Solihull**—On the Torcida card Fred Powney, Doncaster, outpointed Joe Nwansi, Nigeria, in a middleweight eight.

Max Smith, Southsea, outpointed Keith Meese, Wolverhampton, in a cruiserweight six.

Andy Peace, Rugby, outpointed Tommy Tiger, Leicester, in a junior welter six. Robin Polak, Nottingham, stopped Knolly Daley, Nigeria, in a welterweight six.

▶ **Johannesburg** — John McCluskey, Hamilton, British flyweight champion, broke the jinx of imported fighters. He was first to gain a points win over South African opposition in the last five years.

Mike Buttle, South Africa, who has been showing good form against importations, was downed for eight in the third and 10th, fought aggressively throughout and was nailed by long right hand punches by the British champion.

▶ **Copenhagen**—Harry Scott, Bootle, who has been trying for the British middleweight title for years, gained a points win over Tom Jensen, Denmark, in six.

Peter Quinn, Swindon, one of our young prospects in the welterweight ranks, knocked out Preben Rasmussen, Denmark, in the second.

▶ Harry Drake, cruiserweight in the 1920s, who fought Jack Bloomfield for the British title, passed away at the age of 74.

▶ **Manchester**—Jim Swords, Manchester, returned to the ring after a lengthy layoff to outpoint Tom Bell, Granada, in eight. Bell got off to a good start, but Swords got on top towards the end to gain a narrow win. Referee Wally Thom scored them 39½ to 39¼.

Liam Dolan, Manchester, knocked out Maurice Thomas, Bradford, in the third of a middleweight contest.

Joey Lando, Liverpool, stopped Paul Swinscoe, Nottingham, in the fourth of a featherweight bout. Les Pearson, Hemsworth, gained a points win over Ray Fallone, Battersea, in a welterweight six.

▶ **Paris**—Johnny Cooke, Bootle, and Roger Menetrey, French KO merchant, fought a thrilling draw in a welterweight contest over 10 rounds.

▶ **Belfast**—Promoter Mike Callahan was rewarded with a packed hall when he staged the

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AVENAMAR PERALTA LOSES, RINGO SCORES KO OVER PIRES

By Simon Bronenberg and Alfredo Porzio

Buenos Aires, Argentina—At Bariloche: Lightweight Luis Rodriguez lost to Alberto Jaramillo in 10.

▶ **Monte Quemado**—In the middle division Eudoro Robledo kayoed Rafael Benitez in fifth round.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—Luna Park Gym saw Antonio "Bibila" Acosta whip Angel Roman in 10.

▶ **La Plata**—In the light heavy class Jose Menno outpointed Argentine champion Avenamar Peralta in 10 in a non-title bout. Ricardo Veron, welter, whipped Celestino Rivero in six.

▶ **Sampacho**—In the feather class Quique Rivero beat Hector Alba in 10.

▶ **Saenz Peña**—Argentine and South American middleweight champion Carlos Monzon beat Mario Taborda by KO in third round.

▶ **Mar del Plata**—in the heavy class Oscar "Ringo" Bonavena beat Luis F. Pires, Brazil and South American champion, by a TKO in eight. Undefeated light heavy Gabino Bay beat Telmo Gonzalez by a TKO in second round.

▶ **La Plata**—In the middle class Miguel Chequer and Miguel Soto drew in 10.

▶ **Mendoza**—Lightweight Carlos Aro, Argentine and South American champion, retained his title against Hector Pace in 12 rounds. Record gate in this city: $1,995,850.

▶ **Tucuman**—In the junior middle class Carlos Estrada, Peru, outpointed Emilio Ale Ali in 10.

▶ **Cordoba**—In the light class Ricardo Lescano-Cañete defeated Cirilo Pausa by a TKO in eight. Doctor intervened.

▶ **Santa Rosa**—Good prospect in the flyweight class Ibrahim Alvarez beat Adacir Ferreira in the eighth, doctor's decision. Luis H. Cabral, junior welter, outpointed Andres Martinez in 10.

▶ **S.S. de Jujuy**—In the flyweight class, Freddy Claros kayoed Pedro Rivero in the fifth.

▶ **Salta**—Rocky Moreno whipped Eduardo Soraire in six (welter) and Oscar Tapia beat Raul Chaile by disqualification in six in the same division.

▶ **Saenz Peña**—In the junior welter class Adolfo Robledo whipped Luis Arce in 10.

▶ **San Juan**—For the local junior welter title Raul O. Pereyra stopped Narciso Paez by a TKO in the ninth.

▶ **Rosario**—Julio Ampagna beat Carlos Martinez on points in eight. (junior lightweight).

▶ **San Rafael, Mendoza**—Alfredo Segura, middleweight, beat Juan "Kid" Roldan in 10.

▶ **Mar del Plata**—Undefeated prospect Horacio Saldaño kayoed Leonardo Peralta in first round. Luis Ramirez, in the lightweight class, beat Gregorio Villavicencio in six.

▶ **Concordia**—In the junior welter class Leandro Vilches stopped Carlos Rios, TKO in seventh.

▶ **Mar del Plata**—Undefeated Horacio Saldaño kayoed Carlos Chavez, Peru, in second round.

▶ **Cipolletti**—In the junior middleweight class, Hector Quijada whipped Francisco Lamas in 10.

▶ **Rosario**—In the bantam class Santiago Barzola outpointed Osvaldo Piedrabuena in 10.

▶ **Mar del Plata**—For the vacant Argentine junior welter title, Juan Alberto Aranda is the new champion. He beat Mario Paladino in 12. Aranda is the successor to Nicolino Locche.

▶ **Saenz Peña**—In the lightweight class Pedro Coria outpointed Mario Juarez in 10.

▶ **Resistencia**—Welters Luis Barrios and Andres Casco drew in 10.

▶ **Saenz Peña**—Lightweight Ramón Duarte outpointed Enrique Duran in 10.

▶ **La Plata**—Light heavy Nestor Peralta, brother of Gregorio and Avenamar, and Ricard Soto, drew in 10.

▶ **La Rioja**—In the junior middle class, Antenor Santillan beat Armando Marcchissio by a TKO in the eighth.

▶ **Cordoba**—Ricardo Lescano beat Carlos Cañete by a TKO in the fourth.

▶ **Mar del Plata**—In the welter class Anibal Di Lella beat Marcelino Azevedo, TKO in the eighth.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—At Luna Park Gym, in the lightweight class, Miguel A. Coria and Jossué de Moraes, Brazil champion, drew in 10.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—In the bantam class Heleno Ferreira, from Brazil, lost to Ubaldo Duarte in 10.

▶ **Rosario**—In the middleweight class Ruben Martinez beat Hugo Torres in 10.

▶ **Mar del Plata**—In the light heavy class, Argentine champion Avenamar Peralta won by a TKO in the third from Kurt Luedecke.

▶ **San Jerónimo**—In the light heavy division undefeated Adolfo Cardozo won by a TKO in the fourth over Luis Caru.

▶ **Buenos Aires**—A featherweight Armando Gigena stopped Luis Romo by a TKO in 10 rounds.

▶ **Tres Arroyos**—In his first professional bout Santos Lazarte, bantamweight, outpointed Alberto Gonzalez in a six.

▶ **San Rafael**—In his professional debut, lightweight Felix Gonzalez outpointed Antenor Martinez in six.

▶ **Neuquen**—Welter Bruno Urra knocked out Ramón "Chamorro" Oliva in the fourth.

▶ **Santa Rosa**—Luis "Golepa" Cabral whipped Adam Gomez in 10. They are junior welters.

▶ **San Juan**—Dante "Red" Rodriguez outpointed Leonardo Peralta in 10.

Middleweight Jorge Almada beat Orlando Quiroga by a spectacular KO in the third round.

▶ **Sao Paulo (Brazil)**—Argentine junior middleweight champion Jose Chirino won the vacant South American title over Santiago Fernandez, Brazil champion, by KO in the third round.

▶ **La Plata**—In the middleweight division Miguel Chequer stopped Nelson Valdez by a TKO in the fifth.

▶ **General Roca**—Lightweight Jorge Duarte outpointed Hugo Fredes in 10.

▶ **Coronel Pringles**—Miguel A. Bravo kayoed Raul Huarte in eight.

COLLEGE BOXING REPORT

By Mike Marley

Reno, Nev.—Coach Jimmy Olivas' University of Nevada Wolf Pack boxing team walked off with the title at the recent California Collegiate Boxing Conference (CCBC) championships held here

The Wolf Pack ringmen won five crowns. Coach Willie Simmons' Chico State Wildcats garnered two diadems while Ron Dell' Imagine's California Golden Bears and Coach Ray Lunny's Stanford Indians won one title each.

Light heavyweight Tom Jenks was voted the tourney's outstanding boxer. The Stanford slugger was presented the award by Nevada State Journal managing editor Ty Cobb.

Welterweight Gary Evers of Cal won the Ed Nemir Memorial Sportsmanship Award. This trophy is named in honor of the late Cal mentor who gave so much to collegiate boxing.

The results: 125-pound title—Mark Webster of Chico scored a one-round TKO over Stanford's George McFall. Webster had previously upset Nevada featherweight Lou "Too Sweet" Doyle in the semi-finals.

132—Bert Serrano (N) won his second consecutive crown with a unanimous duke over tough Rick Kreizenbeck (CS). The flashy Serrano's third-stanza jabs made the difference. Bert is a sophomore.

139—Two coaches' sons, Phil Nemir (C) and Sam Simmons (CS) went toe-to-toe for three rounds. The two seniors mauled until the final bell with a close decision going to Nemir.

147—Slick boxer Joe Pedrojetti had his hands full in his final college fight as he battled a puncher, Gary Evens (C). The Nevada fighter won a split verdict to take his second conference title.

156—Jim Berro (N), son of Boise fight figure Big Al Berro, took his second straight loop crown with a one-sided win over lanky Bill Gallagher (CS).

165—John Silver (N), an erratic slugger better known for his golfing ability, won his first title by outpunching the taller Brian Kahn (C) in a slugfest. Silver is a senior.

172—Ttanford stickout Tom Jenks notched his third league title with a second-round TKO over Merv "Mitsu" Mattorian (N). A jolting volley of head shots put Mattorian out of business.

180—Defending king Webb Loyd (C) was dethroned by brawler Don Steinsek (C) in a lively Pier Sixer. Steinsek connected with looping rights to the noggin to earn the verdict.

Heavyweight—Jay Nady (N), a Denver native, continued unbeaten in the college ranks as he whipped promising Chico sophomore Mark Smith in three frames. It was Nady's second title. The burly footballer's lone loss came at the hands of U.S. Navy and San Francisco G.G. king Gene Sullivan.

▶ **College Chatter** . . . Ex-middleweight champ of the early '40s Ken Overlin can be reached at the Rumpus Room Bar in Reno. Ken is the popular post-midnight mixologist at the local watering spot . . . Jim Olivas says colleges thinking seriously about intercollegiate ring competition are Idaho State (Spider Webb's alma mater), San Jose State, University of Nevada at Las Vegas, Sacramento State, and Cal Poly at San Luis Obispo. Olivas, who fought pro around L.A., forecasts a boxing boom at West Coast universities . . . All Nevadans are proud of newly crowned junior middleweight king Freddie Little. Little is a physical education instructor at Rancho High School, Las Vegas. The teacher-pugilist reports few disciplinary problems in his classes . . . Three Bay Area simon-pures who showed their wares against collegians this season are headed for the pro ranks soon. Navy fighters Jesse Reid, Andre Reed, and Olympic medal winner Al Robinson all recently won S.F. Gloves titles.

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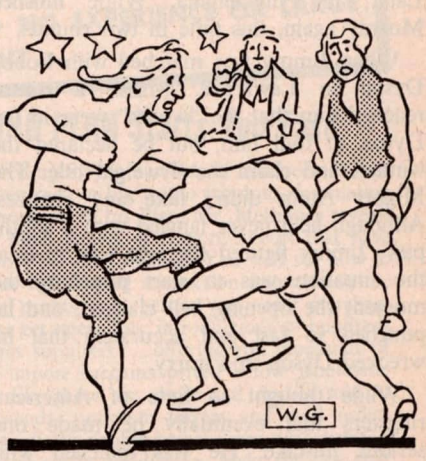

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BOXING HALL OF FAMER HELD FLYWEIGHT TITLE FROM 1916 TO 1923

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In 1919 Lynch and Moore were invited to return to London for return matches with Wilde over longer routes. Joe was decisioned in 15 rounds at the National Sporting Club and Memphis Pal Moore in 20 rounds at the Olympia.

Americans had been hearing and reading so much about the tiny Welshman that he was prevailed upon to embark upon a tour of the United States and Canada. The jaunt began in December, 1919, and ended in May, 1920, embracing a total of 11 bouts scattered across the landscape, with two appearances in Milwaukee, another pair in Philadelphia, and single showings in St. Louis, Jersey City, Toledo, Windsor, Camden, Lawrence and Toronto. His opponents were Little Jack Sharkey, Babe Asher, Mike Ertle, Mickey Russell, Patsy Wallace (twice), Frankie Mason, Young Zulu Kid, Battling Murray (twice) and Bobby Dyson.

We recall one near-disastrous episode on the jaunt. It was with Battling Murray in Camden, N.J. Early in the bout—the second round, as we recollect—Murray, a tough, hard-hitting Italian out of Philadelphia, dropped Jimmy for a long count, but the Welshman recovered and went on to batter his way to an 8th-round KO. Later, in Philadelphia, Wilde finished Murray again, this time in two rounds.

When Jimmy was matched with Bobby Dyson in Lawrence, Mass., a rumor reached him that the "works" were in for Dyson to foul him, but be declared the winner, and claim the flyweight title. The Mighty Atom didn't take any chances. Although he'd never tangled with a southpaw, Jimmy figured the best way to treat the situation was to start punching the moment the opening bell clanged, and he punched so fast and accurately that he wrecked Dyson in a hurry.

Wilde thought so little of American ringsters that eventually he made one serious mistake. He was matched with former world bantamweight champion Pete Herman in London.

Herman was too heavy, too strong and too effective a body puncher for the little Welshman, and stopped him in 17 rounds.

That was on January 13, 1921, and to all intents and purposes it finished little Jimmy's career.

But after a retirement of a year and a half, Wilde was prevailed upon to visit New York and defend the world flyweight title against the spectacular Filipino, Pancho Villa. The bout was held in the Polo Grounds on June 18, 1923.

Wilde was then 31, an "old man" as age was reckoned in this rugged glove-tossing industry, particularly among the tiny flyweights. And Jimmy had picked up considerable ring dust during his lengthy absence from competition. He fought gamely against Villa, but couldn't hold off the furious assaults of the little Asian, and was battered out in seven gruelling rounds.

A great little fighter, Jimmy Wilde, and one who left much for the boxing world to remember him by.

RAMOS "ILLEGAL" STAR AT 17

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Mando with his strength.

This didn't work. Ramos showed Kobayashi a neat combination attack of a left jab, followed by a stinging right to the body.

The Japanese champ decked the local lad in the ninth, but the knockdown only spurred Mando on. He roared back to take the 10th round to seal the decision.

What does the future hold for Mando Ramos?

McCoy feels that his reign as lightweight titleholder will not be too long, because of the fact that Mando hasn't stopped growing.

"He'll be a solid welterweight within the year," says McCoy.

At the age of 20, Mando Ramos, as cocky as ever, predicts that he will be sitting on the welterweight throne one of these days.

CLAY SITUATION UNCHANGED, QUARRY STIRS UP HEAVIES

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broken in the first heat with a blow to Jerry's cranium turned out to be merely bruised.

"I need a long vacation," said Mathis after his debacle. It cannot be too long. He is not likely to fight his way back to the forefront.

The Quarry demonstration made a big hit with 15,706 rainy night fans who paid $167,293 at the gate.

Quarry rehabilitated himself to so great a degree that he became a subject for matching with Frazier, an interim battle in which Joe, heading for Ellis and Big Money, would be subject to undoubted dangers.

However, the punch that did not stop Mathis was not expected to KO Frazier, and the punch that stopped Mathis for Joe could do like service against Quarry.

In any event, Quarry is eager to fight Frazier—price, $100,000—and Frazier is eager to have another big payday for Cloverlay, Inc., after Zygliewicz and Houston.

Before dismissing Mathis, let it be pointed out that he weighed 234½ pounds, while Quarry, 196, gave away 38½.

Referee Johnny Colan saw it 9-2-1, while judges Tony Tony Castellano and Jack Gordon scored the fight 10-1-1. The Ring matched the cards of the judges.

Quarry's jubilation over his startling recovery from the Ellis flop was interesting from many angles.

The Ellis fight appeared to have heaved Jerry into the discard insofar as major competition was concerned. He kept promising a new policy, a more aggressive style. But the veterans said, "The leopard changeth not his spots. This Quarry kid is not likely to improve.

"He reached his peak in the two decisions over Floyd Patterson, and with the chance of a lifetime facing him, blew it against Ellis. Forget Quarry."

However, Quarry refused to be forgotten and is once more a red hot issue as he had been after those wins over Patterson.

KENDALL, ONCE LEFT FOR DEAD, WANTS TITLE SHOT

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back to back in 1965—to Bobo Olson and Eddie Cotton.

All four — Fullmer, Rouse, Olson and Cotton — have fought for the title.

Andy presented good reasons for the Olson and Cotton losses.

"I had hepatitis when I fought Bobo, I must have caught it in the Comstock Mines in Virginia City, where we had gone as a pre-fight publicity stunt. I drank some running water up there, and about three days after the Olson fight in Reno, I had hepatitis real bad. The doctor said stay in bed six weeks, but six weeks later I fought Cotton.

"I just didn't lay off long enough, and I knew it."

Andy seems to have more worries with babysitters for his children, Debra, 6, and Scottie, 5, than opponents in the ring.

"My manager came to the door one day," he says. "And I'd just lost a babysitter. So I told Mike to come on in, then I had to excuse myself."

"Yeah," Morton interrupted at that point, "he says, 'Excuse me, I'm ironing a dress.' Yeah, can you imagine that! The next world's champeen ironing a dress!"

Morton, who says "My fighter fights only as hard as he has to," posted a $2,500 bond with the WBA to make certain that Foster's next title defense would be against Kendall.

Kendall, looking at the letter of acknowledgment from the WBA, exclaimed:

"Hey, look at this return address . . . Richmond, Virginia. That's only about 80 miles from where I got shot."

Andy Kendall fighting for a world championship?

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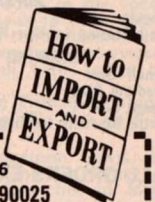

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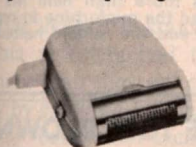

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BOXING NEWS FROM MICHIGAN

By Elliott H. Harvith

Detroit—In the first boxing card of the year in Michigan, held at the Olympia, in the main event Leotis Martin, 202, Philly, took a 10-round split decision over Alvin "Blue" Lewis, 218, Detroit.

In the prelims, Dennis Stiletto, 153, Detroit, stopped Dawson Smith, 155, Detroit, in 2:29 of the first round. Stiletto, from the opening bell, battered and slammed away at Smith for a full two minutes, flooring him once in the process before the ref put a halt to the slaughter. Stiletto is now 14-5 and Smith was suspended for six weeks. The match was scheduled for six rounds. In a five-rounder, Tommy Hanna, 161½, Detroit, remained unbeaten as a pro taking the nod over Howard Youngblood, Lima, Ohio. Al Jones, 160½, Detroit, stopped Charles Lewis, 164, Anderson, Ind., at the 2:21 mark of round two in a scheduled four-rounder. Jones, the Olympic Bronze Medal winner, was making his pro debut. In the four-round curtain raiser, Chuck Haynes, 193, Detroit, stopped Gene Hunt, 200, Akron, in 2:46 of round two. A paid attendance of roughly 4,000 paid $20,337.

▶ At Memorial Auditorium in Buffalo, N.Y., Detroit's 169½ pound Ted "Farmer" Wright dropped a 10-round decision to Buffalo's Jimmy Ralston, 170.

▶ Battling Bob Smith, crowd pleasing Detroiter, has claimed the vacant heavyweight championship of Michigan.

▶ The 1969 Detroit Gloves finals were held at the Olympia. A crowd of about 3,000 watched a 26-bout card. The following were crowned open champions: Heavies—William Williamson, 178—Billie Parker; 165—John Magnum; 156—John Brown; 147—Gerald Anthony; 139—Willie S. Richardson; 119—Larry Pryor; 126—Leroy Gilmore (only entry); 132—O'Dell Rayner, unopposed. Williamson took his third heavyweight crown by winning a decision over 287-pound Rufus McKiney. Williamson also won Golden Glove crowns in 1963 and '64. The 126-pound Gilmore has now won four Detroit G.G. titles, in 1966, '67, '68, '69.

▶ At Akron, Ohio, Ray Anderson, 177, Akron, KOd Billy Tiger, 187, Detroit, at the 2:16 mark of the first round. Anderson belted Tiger with lefts and rights, against the ropes until the Detroit veteran fell through the ropes and was counted out.

ON ROAD BACK, ORSOLICS SCORES FIVE ROUND KO

By Leo Vollnhofer

Innsbruck, Tyrol—Olympia Hall had its gre day when Johann Orsolics, former Europea junior welter champion, now campaigning as welter, got a five-round KO over Fernand Ah mibe (Biafra). Both boys tore into each oth with fury and it was a matter of who hit firs

Ahumibe had to take an eight count in th first, but came back strong in the second, i flicting a nasty cut on Orsolics' right eyebrow.

The former Viennese chimney sweep, remem bering that he owed his only two losses of hi career to stoppages because of deep cuts, pu everything he had in his onslaughts, and floore his opponent another three times until the Bia ran's corner had enough and threw in a towel.

Emil Svaricek, heavy, knocked out Stepha Köhler in the second round. Middleweight cor tender Willy Karall started well against French man Serge Cauver, but suffered a nasty gas above his left eyebrow in the third round an was led to his corner.

Junior middle Anton Schnedl won on point after six rounds against Frenchman Victor Em manuelle, who should have got a draw. Welte Helmut Stary won decisively in a six-rounde versus Lucien Antkowiak, France. Turk Ilhan Evren, long on the sidelines, tried a comeback but had to be satisfied with a draw after si rounds against Fritz Köhler of the well-known Austrian Köhler clan.

Orsolics has been to Budapest, where he trained with three-time Olympic champion and undefeated retired European middleweight champion of the professionals, Laszlo Papp.

For 10 days, Papp coached Orsolics. Also helping the Viennese was Sigi Adler, long trainer of Papp. Sigi promised in a national TV interview that Orsolics soon would be fighting for European honors again.

ANDERSON'S 13th KO VICTORY ANNIHILATES W. TIGER

By John L. McCafferty

Akron, Ohio—Local light heavyweight Ray Anderson, 178, scored his 13th KO at the Armory when he halted Willie Tiger, Detroit, 176, in 2:16 of the first round. Anderson has won 19 out of 20.

In the six-round semifinal Billy Wagner won his eighth pro bout by taking a unanimous decision over Tommie Shafer, Uniontown, Pa.

Gil King, Akron welter, won on a TKO over Al Melton, Mansfield. Melton was unable to answer the bell for round four. Ten straight for King.

James Parks, 170, Cleveland, won a unanimous decision over Bob Stripling, 162, Youngstown, in a four.

"The Magnificent" Anderson is now managed by Dean Chance, the American League pitching star, and trained by Chickie Ferrera.

▶ Fate Davis, Ohio welterweight champion, traveled to Mexico City where he fought Jose Mantequilla Napoles. Davis more than held his own with the Cuban but had the misfortune to receive a badly cut right eye and the refeere halted the bout in the seventh.

McGRANDLE TOPS BROWN AT ALBERTA, CANADA

By Jacques A. H. Tachauer

Edmonton, Alberta—Local boy Billy McGrandle took another step in the right direction along the bantamweight trail when he outscored Billy Brown of the Philippines over the 10-round route at the Sales Pavilion.

The unanimous decision boosted Billy's record to 16 wins in 18 starts. McGrandle weghed 122½, and the visitor 119.

In the semi final, unbeaten Canadian lightweight champ Al Ford, 139, Edmonton, took an eight-round unanimous decision over Bobby Brooks, 141, Chicago, Ill.

In other bouts, Johan Louw, Edmonton, registered a fifth-round TKO over Bill Rogers of Portland, Oregon, in a middleweight affair. Ed Ostapovich, 172, Vancouver, B.C., decisioned Mike Gross, 170, Missoula, Montana, in a six-rounder. It was a repeat performance for Ed over the Montana gamester.

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JERSEY JONES RECALLS

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that night. How could he make certain of beating Loughran decisively enough in Tommy's home town to get the newspaper decision without messing up Boo Boo's attraction?

The first round was uneventful, with both rivals boxing carefully, but it was obvious that Smith was planning his strategy.

That strategy was evidenced in the second frame when Jeff feinted Loughran into an opening, and crashed over a left hook to Tommy's chin that dropped him in a heap.

We've often wondered how a fighter could hit an opponent solidly enough to drop him, yet not hard enough to put him down for the full count.

Loughran staggered up, and Smith did a really beautiful job in apparently trying to finish him, but making certain he didn't. With Loughran's back-pedaling and clutching, Jeff missed punches by fractions of an inch and Tommy succeeded in finishing the round.

From then on it was a close, brilliant boxing duel between two artists, but Loughran, with his clever defensive boxing and adept left hand, seemed to be gradually erasing Smith's big early lead.

In Jeff's corner before the start of the eighth and final round, Lippe, worried, said to Smith:

"You're making it too close, Jeff. This is Loughran's home town, you know, and the way the fight is going the papers are likely to give him the win."

"Don't worry, Al," Smith assured him. "I'll make certain of it this round."

And make certain of it he did. Another left hook dumped Loughran for another long count, and once more Jeff staged a beautiful exhibition of missing punches by inches and letting his opponent finish on his feet.

With those two knockdowns, the Philadelphia reporters had to credit Jeff with winning—but they did cover up for Hoff's show by extolling Loughran for an exciting "uphill" battle after escaping a knockout in the second round. His trip to the canvas in the eighth was attributed to Loughran's weariness from his grand come-from-behind performance.

COOPER'S KO OF TOMASONI

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At the end of the round Brill walked over to The Italian's corner and gave him another stern warning.

There was plenty of excitement in the fourth, as both fighters wrestled to the canvas. Cooper complained to the referee about the low blows by Tomasoni. It was the signal for the crowd to take a hand. All kinds of fruit, apples and oranges, crusty rolls and trash were thrown into the ring and luckily no glassware was included. The $38 ringside customers would have suffered.

Referee Brill called a halt as he sent the men to their corners while the ring was cleared of the junk.

In the fifth, Cooper jabbed his left into Tomasoni's face. As Piero came forward, a short left hook hit him squarely on the jaw. He fell flat on his face and stayed there a long time after referee Brill had concluded the "Fatal Ten."

Thus Henry Cooper is still the European champion, also the longest reigning British title holder.

Vic Andreetti, Hoxton, newly acclaimed junior welterweight champion of Great Britain, was clearly outpointed by the speedy Italian, Ermanno Fasoli, in eight. Both were inside 142.

The Italian proved the better in the first five rounds, to gain a big lead, but towards the end when Fasoli tired, Andreetti came back strong to reduce the Fasoli lead. It was only a formality for the judges and the referee to acclaim Fasoli as the winner.

Brian Cartwright, Birmingham, was badly beaten by Antonio Puddu, Italy in a featherweight contest halted in the fifth, when the referee wisely intervened to save the game veteran from further punishment.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

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▶ **Los Angeles**—The Shotgun from Uvalde, Texas, Oscar Albarado, 149½, ran his knockout string to 22 in 25 fights when referee George Latka ruled that Miguel Aguilar, 151, Tijuana, Mexico, was in no condition to continue the scheduled 10-rounder.

Albarado started fast and had Aguilar in serious trouble in the first round. He staggered Miguel with a series of punches and referee Latka stepped in to give Aguilar a standing eight count.

After 2:17 of the third, a booming right hand shot sent Aguilar down. He managed to beat the count, but Latka wisely intervened.

The crowd at the Olympic numbered 3900.

Other results: Teddy Lidgett, 160, Los Angeles, decisioned Nate Macias, 161, Tijuana, Mexico; Dick Finley, 139, Long Beach, decisioned Felix Corral, 138 (5); Tony Marrera, 144, Los Angeles, decisioned Tommy Boyce, 144½, Los Angeles (5).

▶ **Woodland Hills**—Felipe (Flash) Torres, 133, East Los Angeles, registered his second straight win over a rated boxer when he edged Petey Gonzalez, 132½, San Diego, before 1900 fans at the Valley Music Theatre.

Torres, a fine young prospect, had previously knocked out Bobby Valdez in San Diego. There were no knockdowns and only a fast finish gave Torres the split verdict.

Other results: Irish Billy Coleman, 138½, Los Angeles, TKOd Lennie Lopez, 136½, Pasadena (4); Raul Herrera, 119, Los Angeles, decisioned Ken Nagamine, 123, Los Angeles; Jose Mendosa, 118, Mexico City, decisioned Tony Villaneuva, 117½, East Los Angeles.

▶ **Los Angeles**—Comebacking Eddie Garcia, 137, Denver, had too much of everything for young Bobby Sedillo, 134, Santa Ana, in the 10-round main event at the Olympic Auditorium.

Garcia, who worked himself into shape as a sparring partner for new lightweight king Mando Ramos, was awarded a knockout at 2:25 of the fifth round when referee Lee Grossman stopped the one-sided contest. Sedillo was helpless from two big right hands when Grossman stepped in.

Ken Norton, 205, San Diego and Wayne Kindred, 198, Pasadena, threw everything but the ushers at each other for nine rounds before Norton was given a technical knockout decision. Kindred had a badly cut mouth, causing the club doctor, Bernhardt Schwartz, to stop it.

Other results: Maco Medina, 139½, Pasadena, outslugged Lennie Lopez, 137, Pasadena, in the six-round semi-final. Jose Espinosa, 136, Los Angeles, decisioned Lloyd Ungricht, 136, Los Angeles (4).

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▶ **San Jose**—Argentine import Roberto Amaya, 148, banged Johnny Lujan, 150, Fresno, out of the picture in the fifth round of their scheduled 10 at Civic Auditorium.

Other results: John (The Great) Caruso, 185, San Jose, lost an eight-rounder to Steve Carter, 188, Oakland. Don Hicks, 143, Oakland, decisioned Eugene Parker, 138, San Jose (6); Ray Rios, 121, San Jose, kayoed Art Beltran, 120, Fresno (4).

▶ **Sacramento**—Rugged Andy Heilman, 162, San Pedro, sliced open Mike Pusateri's left eye and was awarded a second round technical knockout win. Pusateri, 158, from Boston, and Heilman were just warming up when the wound halted the bout.

Promoter Don Chargin was more than pleased with the gate of $10,145.

Other results: Art Phelps, 170, Oakland, kayoed Matt Cusimano, 171, San Francisco (4); Freddie Short, 130½, Sacramento, kayoed Alex Luna, 132, Oakland (2); Tony Arceo, 148, Fresno, kayoed Tony Gonzalez, 151, Sacramento (1)

▶ San Jose—Roberto Amaya, 148, Buenos Aires, Argentina, felled Charlie Jefferson, 159½, Oakland, midway in the second round of their scheduled 10-rounder.

In a co-feature, hammering Jimmy Lester, 162, Oakland, caught up with Johnny Wise, 163, San Diego, winning by a knockout in the sixth round.

Ray Rios, 123½, San Jose, nabbed a six-rounder from Peter King, 122½, San Jose.

▶ **Sacramento**—Lonnie Harris, 155, Los Angeles, came through with a mild upset, taking a 10-rounder from hard-hitting, but wild-swinging Rocky Hernandez, 159, San Luis Potosi, Mexico. Referee Al Martinez, favored Harris, 7-1. The two judges, Luis Gonzalez and Tony Beretti voted for Harris, 7-0 and 7-3, respectively.

▶ **San Carlos**—A new fight club under the direction of one-time lightweight contender Ray Lunny got off to a roaring start at the Circle Star Theater in this suburb of San Francisco.

The winner of the St. Patrick's Day card was naturally, Irish Frankie Crawford, 127. The stringy featherweight from Van Nuys (Cal.) captured a one-sided, yet interesting 10-rounder from Rene Macias, 126, of Los Angeles.

Lunny's maiden promotion produced a surprise in the semi-final, when John Caruso, 183, Palo Alto, belted out favored Tonga Kid, 202, San Mateo, in the third.

The Tongan had Caruso down in the second, but the Italian lad came back to stun the Kid with a volley of blows in the third. Referee Leonard Morrow, former Bay Area light heavyweight contender, stopped the bout with Tonga dangling on the ropes.

Chuck Hamilton, 173, San Francisco, stopped Kasi Katoa, 171, San Mateo (2). The gate was $8650.

▶ **Los Angeles**—Classy Hedgemon Lewis, 147, formerly of Detroit, now making his home here, sent a chopping right to the chin of Miguel Hernandez, 150, Mexico City, and the latter took the full count with just one second remaining in the first round of their scheduled 10-rounder at the Olympic Auditorium.

It was victory number 25 against one setback for the former Michigan Golden Gloves winner.

Other results: Jimmy Robertson, 135½, Hawthorne, kayoed Jesse Lara, 138½, Los Angeles (4); Maurice Hart, 145½, Los Angeles, decisioned Tony Marrero, 146½, Los Angeles; Dick Finley, 139, Long Beach, kayoed Ismael Rivera, 137½, Mexico City.

UP AND DOWN OLD BROADWAY

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had about 40, was with little Frankie Genaro, late flyweight king, in 1918. He started boxing pro when the Walker Law came into effect. Among the greats Johnny boxed were the late Tony Canzoneri, to whom he lost an eight spot in the semi-final to the Charley Phil Rosenberg-Bushey Graham match, Pete Zivic, Davey Abad and Tommy Ryan, of McKeesport. Green had about 80 pro scraps, losing only to Canzoneri, Kid Chocolate in Mitchell Field and Phil Franchini at the Broadway.

Green, former president of Ring #8, Veteran Boxers, refereed for 15 years and now has a judge's license. He is currently group manager of Investors Planning Corp. of America, 60 East 42nd St., New York City, with whom ex-light heavyweight Johnny Colan is also affiliated.

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Angelo Pucci is beating the drum for Joe Dinardo, a young strapping 220-pounder from Toronto, Canada. Joe is single, 23, and stands 6'4".

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We were sorry to learn of the passing of Marty Cross, brother of Leach, who died three months before his 75th birthday. Brother Leach died in 1957. Marty met the best of the welters from 1910 to 1925, having had better than 200 pro fights, five of them with Jack Britton. Marty, like Leach, was managed by his brother, Sam Wallach. Marty's son, Jimmy Wallach, is now affiliated with boxing as a manager.

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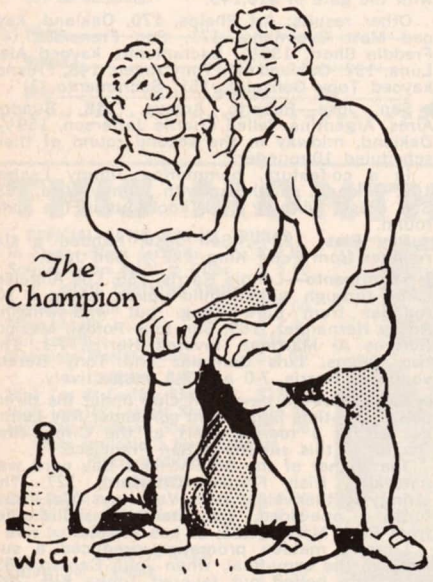
We ran into little Freddie Russo, from Rahway, N.J., who ran up quite a record in his 121 ring skirmishes... Russo, Brooklyn born, started his pro career the day before he graduated from St. Peter's High in New Brunswick, in an eight spot with Mike Belloise, former featherweight champion. Freddie was credited with winning but was unable to appear for the class picture because of a closed right eye and puffed lip. He says his best win was over Jackie Wilson, former feather boss, after Jackie had beaten Chalky Wright and Lulu Constantino. Formerly a beer distributor and manager of an auto sales agency, Freddie is now general manager of the Hair Extension Center, 135 E. 55th St., New York City.

The GREAT DAYS of the PRIZE RING
by Walter Galli



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BOXING KEEPS GOING FOR ● ARIZONA PROS, AMATEURS ●

By Al Fenn

Phoenix, Ariz.—One of the busier boxing states, Arizona boasts a number of top boxers. In the Boys Center Gym daily are Zora Folley, longtime top-ranked boxer; Tony Doyle, Salt Lake City transplant who gained a fourth-round KO over Wes Craven in Tacoma; Alton Colter, who meets Fighting Harada in Japan soon; National AAU champion Earl Large; Carl Moore, Ed McGruder, Raul Carreon, Manny Elias, Conrad Lee, Henry Olea, Jesse Corrales, and Nate Williams.

Arizona Golden Gloves Open Division winners were: 112—J. Oropeza; 119—Jack Yancey; 125—M. Higuerea; 132—Manuel Quiroz; 139—Danny Johnston; 147—Dave Oropeza; 156—Nick Mendez; 165—Jim Slingland; 178—Pete Jesik; Heavyweight—Johnny Lynn.

Standouts among the novices were heavyweight Johnny Brown and middleweight Don Mitchell.

DE PEIZA BACK IN RING, ● STOPS GAY IN 5TH ROUND ●

By George Beckles

Port-of-Spain, Trinidad—Former high-rated junior welterweight Johnny De Peiza returned to the local ring after a layoff of two years to win by a knockout in the fifth round of a scheduled 10-rounder with Anthony Gay.

De Peiza had his license restored only recently after he was banned by the Trinidad and Tobago Boxing Board of Control as being physically unfit. He went to the United States, where he had one fight. He lost. De Peiza then restd for a few months and after an examination by the New York State Commission was declared fit to box.

Main bout: De Peiza, 142, kayoed Gay, 142, in 2:23 of the fifth. Charles James, 133½, outpointed Fitzroy Guiseppi, 133½, eight rounds. Lennard Kiddy, 167½, drew with Clement Greenidge, 177½. Six rounds. Michael Paul, 160, won by TKO over Johnny Woodruffe, 157½, in the fifth.

FRASER WHIPS ANDREWS AS BOXING COMES ● TO OSHAWA, ONTARIO ●

By Frank Allnutt

Oshawa, Ont.—First pro show of the year here featuring two 10-round bouts ran into problems. Jimmy Ralston, Buffalo, was to have featured against Walter Kelly, Toronto. Ralston had to withdraw with a damaged right hand suffered the week before in gaining a decision over Ted Wright.

Canadian junior welterweight champion Colin Fraser bailed out the promoters and beat Danny Andrews, New York, unanimously.

The fans braved the thickest fog of the year, making driving impossible, but 1,300 made it to the arena. Gary Broughton, 154, Brantford, lost to Al Quinney, Buffalo, over eight. Quinney was having things all his own way until he ran into Broughton's left hook in the fourth round and took two eight counts.

They traded punch for punch until the final bell. Quinney gained a unanimous decision.

Fraser, 143, proved too sharp for Andrews, 152, over 10 rounds. Fraser gave a masterful exhibition of clean, crisp punching which kept the heavier Andrews off balance and forced him to cover up from Fraser's straight right hand punching.

Long overdue is a match between Fraser and Joey Durelle, Canadian welterweight champion.

In the second 10-round co-feature, local heavyweight Bob Felstein, 202, ran into unexpected opposition against 'Irish' Tommy Clarke, 184, New York. It was a dreary affair. Clarke lost unanimously.

PARTLOW RETAINS W.VA. MIDDLEWEIGHT TITLE ● WITH 11TH-ROUND TKO ●

By Jim Setzer

Huntington, W.Va.—In an action-packed scheduled 12-rounder, West Virginia middleweight champion Kenny Partlow, of Huntington, stopped challenger Ted Hamilton, of Fairmount, in 1:20 of round 11. Partlow had the challenger down for nine counts in rounds three and 11. All the judges had Partlow way ahead. Judge Dave Setzer had it 7-1-2 (49-43); judge Alva Hagley 9-1 (49-41); and judge Chester Maynard 8-1-1 (49-42).

In the semi-final eight-rounder, Tommy "The Barber" Shaffer of Uniontown, Pa., won an easy decision over Charlie Barnett, of Pittsburgh.

The remainder of the card featured West Virginia Amateur Champions boxing tune-up bouts before leaving for the National Amateur "Tournament of Champions" in Kansas City, Missouri.

Of all the champions, Huntington's jr. middleweight Gene Masters was superb in pounding out an easy third-round TKO over West Virginia jr. middleweight novice champ Wally Ward of Portsmouth, Ohio. Masters ran his record to 51-5 with 18 KOs.

CRUDESLANT TOPS ● NAVY BOXING ●

By Jack Levinson

Norfolk, Va.—Heavyweight John Hunter, of CruDesLant, stopped his opponent, W. C. Holland, of the repair ship Amphion, with a left hook at 2:40 of the opening round, giving a clean sweep to the CruDesLant team.

A capacity crowd witnessed the Atlantic Fleet Championship bouts, held at Rockwell Hall in the Little Creek Station.

Lightweight Jose Colon (CDL) KOd Robert Ulrey of the Carrier Kennedy, Quince Daniels (CDL) won the light welterweight by decision over A. T. Bucho, light middleweight Cove Green (CDL) TKOd D. R. Stasel in the first round, middleweight Al Bolden (CDL) won on a TKO in the second round over M. R. Novack, welterweight Carl Leachman (CDL) won a decision over Ernest Lowery of the Carrier Independence and welterweight Jefferson Lawrence (CDL) won a cision over Marshall Clark of the Carrier Independence.

Dick Pettigrew, six-time all-Navy heavyweight champion, is the trainer-coach of the winning CruDesLant team

KANAZAWA STOPS PIMENTEL IN NINE AT TOKYO

By Joe Y. Koizumi

Tokyo—The headliner of the month is bantamweight Kazuyoshi Kanazawa, who stopped Mexico's Jesus Pimentel, the rated and vaunted mitt matador, in nine rounds. Two ring men were newly crowned: Jaguar Kakizawa won the vacant Oriental lightweight throne via a 12-round decision from Rudy Gonzales, Philippines, and Kuwashi Shimizu dethroned Hajime Taroura, veteran national junior feather titlist, with a third-round knockout.

Two national champions dropped upset verdicts: flyweight Speedy Hayase was beaten by Masao Ohba and junior lightweight Hiroshi Shoji lost to Filipino Flash Gallego. Two champions successfully defended their crowns: Orient welter boss Musashi Nakano flattened Fel Pedranza, Philippines, in the fourth, and Noriyasu Yoshimura, the middle ruler of Japan, outscored Hurricane Fujita in 10.

The expected retirement of Musashi Nakano took place after his impressive fourth defense.

▶The impressive recovery of Kazuyoshi Kanazawa from his previous kayo loss to unbeaten Ruben Oliveres in Mexico in January was displayed before some 2,000 customers at Korakuen Hall, as he stopped Jesus Pimentel, 117¾, and a vaunted puncher, in nine one-sided rounds. The difference in speed was so apparent that Kanazawa shook Pimentel with smashing combinations time and again. Opening a cut on Jesus' right eyebrow in round three and also on the left one in the fifth, Kanazawa, 120, outmaneuvered and outpunched the fading Mexican all the way. The TKO took place at 35 seconds of the ninth when the ref declared a halt owing to the big crimson gash on Pimentel. Up to the stoppage, both referee Toyama and judge Pope saw the bloody affair 40-36 for Kanazawa. Another official, Yoshida, also scored it 40-35 in Kanazawa's favor.

▶The 1,200 spectators amazingly witnessed Hajime Taroura, national feather ruler, being dropped five times and kayoed by hard-punching rookie Kuwashi Shimizu in three one-sided rounds at Korakuen Hall. The slaughter means the end of Taroura's five-year reign during which the veteran had nine defenses in succession. The new champ scaled 121½, giving a quarter-pound advantage to the lefty Hajime. In the first 10, Kenjiro Nakajima, 123½, defeated Kiichi Tsuganezawa, 122¼, on points.

▶Elongated newcomer Hideo Kanazawa piled up points due to his clever dancing but sank, in nine rounds, because of Ryu Sorimachi's furious rally at Korakuen Hall. Hideo's swift movement made Ryu's wicked rights miss occasionally.

However, Ryu decked his rival twice with short right in round eight, the last time for the count. Sorimachi weighed 149, ¼ pound heavier than the loser.

▶Kenji Iwata, 129, made it 15 in a row by whipping Flash Gallego, a new importation from the Philippines, 128¾, in a dull tenner at Korakuen Hall. In the semi-windup, middleweight Saburo Saito was a KO winner at the expense of Ken Iwamura in six.

▶**Nagoya**—Scrappy southpaw Sumio Nobata, 130, was the first Japanese to go the distance with Herbert Kang, 131¾, Korea's Orient featherweight boss, who scored a disappointing hairline triumph before some 3,500 at Aichi Prefectural Gymnasium. Kang, boasting of four kayos in as many meetings with top Japanese, had to pay a penalty of $500 and take a handicap of eight-ounce gloves owing to his nonfulfillment of keeping his weight under 130 lbs. The Korean, 22, downed his lefty foe for the mandatory eight in the fifth. But the severe reduction of weight made Kang's hammer blows through his peekaboo guard too slow to polish off the Japanese. In the semi-final, Yoichi Urawa barely outpointed Yukinori Hiraki in a jr. welter 10.

▶National junior middle leader Noriyasu Yoshimura narrowly kept his laurels by a split but popular duke over Hurricane (Hiromitsu) Fujita in 10 frames at Korakuen Hall. Nori, a six-footer, was obliged to mix it up but performed poorly at short range. It was only his superior stamina that overcame a deficit on points in the early rounds.

▶Lanky middleweight George Carter of the U.S., a civilian worker, 159½, gave a sound boxing lesson to Yoshiaki Eto, 159¾, in a monotonous 10 at Korakuen Hall. The taller Carter connected with long and roundhouse punches to the face almost at will.

▶National flyweight leader Speedy Hayase lost to a fast newcome named Masao Ohba by quite a one-sided nod in 10 frames at Korakuen Hall. each scaled 113. Ohba, with snappy straight blows, simply overwhelmed the lefthander.

▶The wildness of Filipino Flash Gallego, 130¼, carried him to an upset hairline verdict over Hiroshi Shoji, 132½, the junior light champ of Japan, after 10 hard rounds at Korakuen Hall. Shoji was a substitute for clubmate Nouo Chiba.

▶Benkei Fujikura, national middle boss, easily polished off Johnny Williams, a taller Filipino, at Korakuen Hall in four. Each weighed 160¼.

▶Jaguar (Shin'ichi) Kakizawa of Japan seized the vacant Oriental lightweight championship by a split but popular decision from Rudy Gonzales, Philippine leader in the same division, in 12 hard-fought heats at Korakuen Hall. It was an eliminator to decide the successor to Pedro Adigue of P.I., who won the WBC's world junior welter version and relinquished his Orient one to the OBF. There were no knockdowns, but their furious rallies entertained the well-packed 2,000. Rudy, a quarter-pound heavier than Jaguar's 134½, was annoyed by his 21-year-old rival's quick feet and tremendous gameness as well. It was total war as they tossed solid punches toe-to-toe in every round. The spectators had no objections to the decision in favor of the Japanese who was in command in four rounds to the Filipino's two.

▶A near-sellout crowd of some 2,000 was on its feet for a clear-cut one-punch knockout by Musashi (Katsuya) Nakano, the lefty Orient welter titlist, as he stretched Filipino Fel Pedranza unconscious in the fourth round of their scheduled 12 at Korakuen Hall. Musashi, reportedly close to retirement because of heavy damage caused by a fierce ring action, impressively revealed his sharpness of speed and footwork. They commenced cautiously in the first two sessions. Pedranza nailed the champion with roundhouse lefts and rights to the midsection in the third. At the end of the round, Nakano, while backpedalling, shot a counter uppercut following short hooks to drop the switch hitter for the compulsory eight. The thriller ended at 2:38 of the fourth, when a well-timed wicked right hook by the Japanese caught Fel on the button and flattened him on the canvas, where he was counted out by the ref. The winner who defended his laurels for the fourth time, tipped the beam at 146½ to Fel's 146¼.

▶Southpaw Katsuyoshi Takayama, awkwardly rough at attack and defense, scored a shutout over Sulfred Basco, Philippine's Orient junior feather kingpin, in a non-title 10-round brawl at Korakuen Hall. Both contestants weighed 122½ pounds.

▶After a narrow escape in the third, Hidemori Tsujimoto, a tricky stylist, came back to ice Isao Ichihara in the fifth at Korakuen Hall. The glass-jawed Isao suffered the third straight kayo in his losing run of six. They each weight 135.

▶**Seoul, Korea**—Hisao Minami, Orient middleweight ruler, was dethroned by Ki-Soo Kim, former champ, by a decision in 12 rounds.

▶Mushashi (Katsuya) Nakano, Orient welterweight champion, decided to hang up his gloves owing to paralysis of the right lateral half of his body. His retirement was suggested by Takeshi Sasazaki, manager and trainer of Nakano, and the JBC physicians as well. He was a hard-punching southpaw who compiled the total record of 36-5-3 with 24 knockouts and racked up 12 KOs in a row during his six-year career. Gaining the Orient throne from Apidej Sithiran of Thailand, Nakano defended it four times. Nakano was one of the most popular attractions in Japan.

▶New Orient junior welter titlist Shigeru Ogiwara relinquished his Japanese crown in the same class to the JBC. An elimination is to be held, according to the JBC announcement, between top contenders Lion Furuyama and Yoichi Urawa.

▶**Nagoya**—Mastaka Uno, a frequent bleeder, reecived a severe cut of the eyebrow and retired at th end of the eighth of a scheduled 10 with Ushiwakamaru Harada at Kanayama Gymnasium. Harada, a quarter-pound heavier than Uno's 120¼, avenged a disputed draw in 1966.

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THE LATIN VIEWPOINT

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mente puede hacerlo.

Muchos observadores del boxeo dicen que José (Monón) González, ha caído ya de la lista de los contendientes a la corona mundial . . . Un entrenador hispano nos dijo recientemente: "José será siempre un obstáculo en el camino de cualquiera que esté tratando de subir, porque sabe pelear y es difícil en el ring; pero, yo no creo que pueda imponerse por más tiempo de por si como candidato de fuerza a la faja."

Los Hermanos Dundee siguen haciendo gestiones desde Miami para conseguir que Floyd Patterson acepte una nueva pelea con Jimmy Ellis en la Florida . . . Hasta ahora, la respuesta ha sido negativa . . . Muy bueno es el esfuerzo del periódico hispano "El Tiempo" al ofrecer su competencia anual de boxeo para pugilistas aficionados . . . Este año hicieron su inscripción más de 300 muchachos, bien repartidos en todas las divisiones . . . Desde que la Unión Nacional Marítima y el Madison Square Gardes comenzaron a darle entrada a los boxeadores hispanos, han sido numerosos los muchachos que han invadido la tierra de los puños . . . Usted echa un vistazo a los gimnasios que hay en la ciudad de New York y los verá llenos de jóvenes hispanos, especialmente puertorriqueños, que desean abrazar la carrera pugilística como profesión de su vida . . . Dentro de 3 años, cuando más, New York estará lleno de buenos boxeadores . . . Aparte del campeonato anual de los Guantes de Oro del N.Y. Daily News, que se viene escenificando desde hace muchos años, ahora tenemos los torneos del "El Diaro-La Prensa" y de "El Tiempo", donde intervienen más de 300 muchachos que produciendo solamente un 10 por ciento habrán hecho magnífica labor.

Teo Cruz hace training otra vez en espera de que Mando Ramos le conceda una nueva pelea . . . Oscar Martínez Conill, el matchmaker del Telestar, trae a New York estrellas del Brasil, Venezuela, Colombia y México . . . Precisamente uno de los mejores prospectos que tiene anunciada su visita es uno de los hermanos Marcano . . .

Wendell Phillips, el promotor de San Antonio, Texas, quiere reproducir una pelea revancha entre Frankie Narváez y Chango Carmona . . . Y George Parnasus quiere también la revancha de Lionel Rose, el campeón australiano, contra Chucho Castillo. a quien conocen por la Costa como el "Mexican Flash" . . . la última vez que Rose y Castillo se enfrentaron se hicieron más de $227,000 en las entradas, incluyendo los derechos de radio, televisión y cine . . . Es casi seguro que el Canal 47 de televisión, radicado en Newark, escenifique las peleas de boxeo que se ofrecen en el Sunnyside Garden bajo el control del Telestar . . . La idea es proporcionar el star bout al día siguiente de celebrado el combate . . .

Muchos aseguran que Lobito Montoya es uno de los mejores prospectos que hay actualmente en México . . . Tiene buen record y está admirablemente dirgiido por Alex Kassis y José Vásquez . . . Dicen que Tito Marshall se retira del boxeo porque tiene intención de quedarse definitivamente en Panamá . . . Observadores imparciales del ring dicen que el irlandesito Pat Murphy, que actúa generalmente en la Arena Plaza de Secaucus, N.J., no podrá mejorar como boxeador hasta tanto no pase a otras arenas y pelee en encuentsos a diez rouds . . . Y se comenta que Miguel Barreto podrá convertirse en un magnífico boxeador si su mentor le conduce de modo distinto . . .

Cuco Conde insiste que Mantequilla Nápoles se mantendrá en la división welter, a pesar de que tiene tendencia a ganar de peso . . . "Este muchacho no tiene porqué subir de división," dice Cuco, agregando: "A pesar de que cada día pega con más fuerza." . . .

Hay dos boxeadores que muchos no deben perder de vista: Juárez DeLima, del Brasil, y Pedro Gómez, venezolano . . . Los dos tienen clase, y mejoran por días . . . DeLima se ha convertido en uno de los favoritos del público de New York . . .

Mando Ramos no aceptará por el momento la pelea con Arturo Lomeli porque tienen compromisos para figurar en exhibiciones que le proporcionará ingresos de más de $15,000 dólares por pelea . . . Y no tiene que discutir la faja que le ganó a Teo Cruz . . . El precio de Willie Muñoz por pelea ha subido a una garantía de $10,000 dólares . . . Todo esto, a pesar de su derrota frente a David (Toro) Meléndez . . . Carlos Ortiz no decidirá hasta dentro de un mes si vuelve o no al ring . . . Cuando decida, su fallo será definitivo . . . Cregui Torres es favorito, 6 a 5 de los que apuestan sus dineros en el boxeo, para recuperar la faja mundial, cuándo, cómo y dónde le den el chance.

Swedish Seaman Hops Off Schooner, Wins in Florida

Miami Beach, Fla. — One-time amateur champion lightweight of Sweden, Tommy Borg, 143, Gothenberg, a seaman aboard a visiting schooner, filled in and clicked with a split decision over Israel Lorenzane, 138, Miami.

This was Borg's first experience as a professional and he plans more of the same.

He appeared on the Ponda-Ortega card.

THE RECORD BOOK AND THE KNOCKDOWN RULE

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been disqualified under the current three knockdown rule, their examples serve as strong arguments against any precipitate halting of a match in which a world championship is on the line.

Adding a veteran voice to the present dialogue over the rule, amiable octogenarian Charley Rose, at present convalescing nicely after a serious fall, approves the setting aside of the rule in title contests. *"I remember the Mike O'Dowd-Al McCoy fight back in 1917 when O'Dowd won the middleweight championship. McCoy was the champ and a better fighter than people thought. He was a southpaw and a real good puncher,"* recalls "Silver Dollar Charley." *"He had O'Dowd on the deck in the early part of the fight and gave him a terrible shellacking but O'Dowd came back and started knocking McCoy down until he finally knocked him out and won the championship."*

As recounted by Mr. Rose, this is an unusual case in which the challenger made a strong recovery and came on to win but as a rule it is the other way around and it is the champion who responds as a champion should and retains his crown after a rocky start.

Recourse to the Ring Encyclopedia reveals an interesting reality. Unless the challenger gets off to a good or a sensational start his chances of victory are remote. On the other hand a goodly number of titleholders have surmounted some rough beginnings to remain champions. The verdict of the Record Book is seemingly twofold. Stringent applications of technicalities seldom work to the disadvantage of battered challengers who usually fail anyway, if the bout is permitted to continue, but can do an injustice to champions, many of whom have shown the titleholder's tendency to come from behind to victory no matter how dismal the outlook at the start.

THE BRITISH ISLES

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All Ireland welterweight championship between Gus Farrell, Dublin, 145½, and Willie Rea, Belfast, 145½.

The bout ended at the end of the fifth when the seconds called referee Billy Duncan to Rea's corner to explain that the latter could not continue owing to a cut eye.

The supporting bout between Jim McAuley, Belfast, 123, and Jim Henry, Belfast, 124½, for the Northern Area featherweight title, ended with a clear points win for McAuley.

McAuley showed great courage for he continued with a gashed eyebrow that needed eight stitches.

Paddy McGuire, Belfast, 117½, got off to a good pro start with a points win over Bernard Nicholls, Manchester, 120¾, in six.

Sammy Lockhart, Lisburn, 129, stopped Geoff Ryan, Manchester, 129, in the third.

Al Gibson, Belfast, stopped Dave McCooke, Antrim, in the fifth.

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EUROPEAN GOSSIP

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since 1959, the only boxer to collect three Lonsdale belts and awarded the OBE in the Queen's New Year Honours, Cooper closed hostilities in frame five with a lightning left hook that exploded on the Italian's chin.

This battle at the Palazzo Dello Sport, was Rome's first European heavyweight battle since Primo Carnera decisioned Paolino Uzcudun in a 15-rounder in 1933.

The Cooper-Tomasoni affair was fight number two on a six-bout card commencing at 9 P.M., for the benefit of a live TV casting to Great Britain and Italy, less Rome, which was blacked out. This early start caught hundreds napping and they arrived to find the main feature in motion. The early crowd of around 6,000 then swelled to a gate of 8,000.

The Spanish Boxing Federation has protested strongly to the World Boxing Council over Jose Legra's loss in the world's featherweight title fight to Johnny Famechon in London.

The British press was unfair in declaring Famechon the better boxer, gloves used were not suitable for the Spaniard.

The BBB of C in England is protesting over Johnny Pritchett's disqualification against Carlos Duran in Milan. Protests are usually made up of strong words and put over in a strong manner but decisions remain unchanged.

The Wilhelm von Homburg-Gerhard Zech heavyweight eliminator which took place in Hamburg last November, and ended in a points win for Homburg, has been declared a draw by the local authorities. It was first announced as a draw but was changed to a decision in favor of Homburg after the crowd had protested. Referee Nurnberg had erred in adding up his scorecard, they said.

Max Schmeling said recently that young boxers are not entitled to the fabulous money they receive today. They prove their worth beforehand and then pick up good money later when they earn it. Max recalled when he received a check for only a few marks in the early days of his career.

He walked from his home in Cologne to Bonn to change it only to find that the banks were closed. He walked home again.

Johann Orsolics, Austria, light welterweight champion of Europe until last year, when he met Bruno Arcari, probably will be trained in future by Laszlo Papp, Hungary. Manager Karl Marchart was involved in a car accident in his way down to Hungary to talk business with Papp. Laszlo is training Hungary's national amateur team.

Tom Bogs, Denmark's European light heavyweight champion, has engaged 42-year-old Chris Christensen to look after his future. His previous manager, George Petersen, has been ill for some time. Christensen, a former middleweight champion of Europe, had some 80 battles during his 15-year career, which ended in 1964. The mayor of Brescia, Italy, Bruno Boni, visited Piero Tomasoni's training camp when the latter was preparing for his title shot with Henry Cooper. Boni, a keen boxing and football fan, told Tomasoni that he thought he could dethrone Cooper but he could not score a goal from a penalty kit with Boni in goal. Piero took a bet on this, which Boni accepted. Tomasoni kicked the ball and it went into the net as Boni dived in the opposite corner. He is now in hospital with a broken collar bone.

Frenchman Pascal Benedetto, former middleweight champion, visited London and was beaten by Mark Rowe with only 20 seconds left of frame four. In Sydney the Frenchman drew a 10-rounder with Paul Blu but some thought he had won. Dante Cane, Italy, lost a 10-rounder to Roberto Davilla in New York.

ITALY

Milan—On the card with Duran and Pritchett here—Bantamweight Antonio Sassarini, Italy, beat Gerard Berkhout, TKO two. German welterweight champion Klaus Klein met European champion Silvano Bertini, Italy, and was decisioned over eight rounds. The visitor took heavy punishment in rounds seven and eight of this non-title affair. Light heavyweight Gianfranco Macchia, Italy, beat Rene Bergeot, France, KO five.

▶ **Apvilla**—Lightweight Mario Sanna beat Ottorino Dilda, TKO five.

▶ **Pesaro**—Lightweight Renzo Pitzzoni beat Guerrino Ceresa, TKO four. Featherweight Oranzo Pesare beat Mario Calandro, TKO two.

▶ **Brescia**—Welterweight Ermanno Fasoli decisioned Serafino Lucherini, eight.

▶ **Sondrio**—Giuliano Nervino beat Aldo Mondora, TKO nine.

▶ **Sondrio**—Giuliano Nervino, local light welterweight champion, drew 12 with Massimo Consolati. Featherweight Ambrogio Mariani beat Enzo Farinelli, disqualified in second.

▶ **Taranto**—Bantamweight Salvatore Burruni beat Wellington Vilella, 10.

▶ **Rome**—Middleweight Mario Lamagna decisioned Michel Blinker, eight.

▶ **Leghorn**—Pietro Ziini outpointed Umberto Pomarico, eight.

▶ **Galliate**—Welterweight Tullio Zanirato outpointed Laudovico Bellavita, eight.

▶ **Chiavari**—Middleweight Giuseppe Muzio outscored Tommaso Truppi, eight.

▶ **Rome**—Heavyweight Mario Baruzzi beat Gianfranco Giannini, TKO one.

Rome—Welterweight Gianni Zampieri beat Giovanni Randazzo, TKO three.

▶ **Turin**—Lightweight Italo Biscotti beat Salvatore Nicosia, KO two.

FRANCE

▶ **Rheims**—Welterweight Robert Gallois, France, beat Karl Furcht, Germany, TKO six.

▶ **Paris**—Welterweight Joseph Sossou beat Daniel van Gansbeke, TKO two.

▶ **Paris**—Welterweight Souleymane Diallo, France, drew with Juar De Lima, 10.

▶ **Marseilles**—Welterweight Jean Josselin beat Jose Madrazo, 10.

▶ **Montargis**—Featherweight Michel Houdeau beat Frans Meganck, TKO two. Bantamweight Claude Lapinte outpointed Daniel Ringuet, 10.

▶ **Annecy**—Lightweight Rene Roque outscored Kid Rainbow, 10. Welterweight Roger Menetrey beat Tony Ray, TKO three.

▶ **Troyes**—Middleweight William Poitrimol outpointed Marc Desfourneaux, eight.

▶ **Fort de France**—Lightweight Roger Zami decisioned Roscoe Bell, 10. Middleweight Ben Lachemi outscored Charley Jordan, 10.

▶ **Colmar**—Welterweight Jean Pierre Schmitt decisioned Horst Brinkmeier, Germany, 10.

▶ **Paris**—Heavyweight Jose Manuel Urtain, Spain, beat Freddy Hubert, Belgium, KO one.

▶ **Laval**—Middleweight Jean Claude Bouttier beat Marcel Millien, TKO five.

▶ **Blois**—Welterweight Gerard Breton decisioned Gerard Hedin, eight.

▶ **Villeurbanne**—Lightweight Rene Roque outscored Olli Maki, 10.

▶ **Paris**—Welterweight Sion Lellouche beat Manfred Lessmann, TKO one.

▶ **Marseilles**—Bantamweight Felix Bdami, whom Jose Legra halted in one round not so long ago, disappointed again, losing to Pierre Vetroff, TKO six.

▶ **Sallavenes**—Welterweight Roger Menetrey beat Billy Yusuf, KO two. Lightweight Gabriel Locatelli decisioned Louis Christian, eight.

▶ **Paris**—Lightweight Jean Pierre Le Yaouen decisioned Enrico Barlatti, TKO eight.

▶ **Amiens**—Middleweight Pierre Minier decisioned Daniel Leuillier, 10.

▶ **Toulouse**—Welterweight champion of France, Jean Josselin, beat Fernando Franklin, Portugal, TKO four. Middleweight Pascal Di Benedetto decisioned Emile Oke, 10.

▶ **Lyons**—Jean Parra beat Omar Cabrera, TKO five. Featherweight Kouider Meftah and Francesco Dessi fought eight to draw.

▶ **Tourcoing**—Daniel Vermandere decisioned Michel Jamet, eight.

▶ **St. Quentin**—Heavyweight Paul Roux stopped Franklin Arrindel, two. Featherweight Raymond Dautheuille decisioned Daniel Ringuet, eight.

▶ **Paris**—Middleweight Jean Claude Bouttier beat Lionel Cuypers, TKO seven. Lightweight Salah Laroussi and Rene Pigny, drew eight.

SPAIN

▶ **Barcelona**—15,000 saw lightweight champion of Europe Pedro Carrasco, Spain, beat challenger Tore Magnussen, Norway, in three frames. It was the 19th European championship contest and the third at the lightweight poundage to be staged in Barcelona. It was the 79th European lightweight title bout.

It looked as if we were in for a sensation in the opening round, for the champion was shaken. Carrasco was soon himself again and caught his challenger with a right which decked him. In frame two the visitor fought back strongly but the more clever Carrasco took the round. In the third, a left and right put Magnussen to the canvas for a count of six. A bolo punch and the challenger was decked for eight. Referee Caravalletti then called a halt.

Heavyweight Jose Manuel Ibar Urtain, Spain, beat German Paul Kraus in one minute and forty seconds of round two. Kraus had visited the canvas five times. Featherweight Senin, Spain, beat Barrientos, KO two. Bob Allotey, Ghana, beat Pierre Vetroff, France, TKO eight.

▶ **Tenerife**—Lightweight Miguel Valazquez decisioned Makloufi, 10. Welterweight Barrera Corpas beat Ameur Lamine, TKO one.

▶ **Bilbao**—Middleweight Luis Folledo outscored Jean Tshiruna, 10. Featherweight Omar Cabrera, eight. Welterweight Angel Neches decisioned Billy Yusuf, eight.

▶ **Madrid**—Welterweight Toni Ortiz drew in a 10 with Carlos San Jose II. Jose Duran beat Jose Arnau, KO four. Middleweight Martin Parraga beat Martinez Viana, KO two.

▶ **Tenerife**—Welterweight Pascual Olivan beat Aurelio Niza, TKO four. Bantamweight Andres Giminez beat Ruiz Bueno, eight. Lightweight Marino Lopez beat Orteguita, TKO five.

▶ **Madrid**—Featherweight Jose Arranz fought a draw with Rodolfo Garcia, eight. Middleweight Manuel Larranza beat Sugar Boy Hussan, TKO five. Welterweight Jose Duran decisioned Mauricio Herman, eight.

▶ **Barcelona**—Featherweight Omar Cabrera beat Jose Manan, TKO seven.

▶ **Vigo**—Middleweight Luis Folledo beat Expedit Meutcho, TKO six.

▶ **Salamanca**—Welterweight Angel Guinaldo beat Roque Canadasi, eight. Welterweight Jose Luis with Vicente Moktar, eight. Welterweight Tony Torcido outscored Mariano Serrano II, eight.

▶ **Madrid**—Welterweight Corpas Barrera outpointed Valerio Numez, eight. Angel Neches beat Jo Martin, TKO seven. Featherweight Martin outscored Angel Rodriguez, eight. Bantamweight Mariano Andres Garcia outpointed J. Albarracin, eight.

▶ **Barcelona**—Welterweight Johnny White outpointed Leopoldo Escuin, eight. Angel Ejarque decisioned Gomez Acebo, eight. Lightweight Antin I decisioned San Roman, eight. Bantamweight Joe Gallego drew with Guillermo Barriento, eight.

▶ **Barcelona**—Heavyweight Manuel Ibar Urtain beat Carl Baker, Trinidad, in 23 seconds.

▶ **Madrid**—Middleweight Pablo Sanchez drew with Cicente Moktar, eight. Welterweight Tony Ortiz beat Jose Luis Fernandez, TKO five. Featherweight Mariano Perez beat Julian Gonzalez, KO two.

HOLLAND

▶ **Rotterdam**—Welterweight Aad Jansen beat Palmer Palrem. KO three. Joop Verbon beat Gerard Breton, KO five. Nico Alosery beat Daniel Flauhaut, three.

DENMARK

▶ **Copenhagen**—3,500 turned out mostly to see European light heavyweight champion Tom Bogs in action. He made hard work of outpointing Antonio Aguilar, Argentina, over 10 frames. Bogs was behind on points up to round four but he took frame five. Heats six and seven went to the visitor and the last three went in favor of the champion.

Aguilar damaged his right hand in round eight.

Börge Krogh, Denmark, beat Klaus Jakoby, Germany, the latter retiring after three with a cut eye. Middleweight Harry Scott, England, outpointed Tom Jensen, Denmark, six. Heavyweight Hans Jörgen Jacobsen, Denmark, beat Italian Vittorio Verrengia, who collected a cut eye in frame four. Light middleweight Preben Rasmussen lost to Peter Quinn, England, TKO two.

FINLAND

▶ **Helsinki**—Elis Ask came up with a success at the Messe Hall where 5,000 turned up to see a card of only four contests. Finland's popular amateur star Periti Purhonen, who won a bronze at the Tokyo Olympics but failed to qualify for Mexico, made his professional debut, outpointing Gerard Hedin, France, six, who substituted for Daniel Brunet. Heavyweight Raymond Nisula, Norway, won a close one from Ulric Regis, Trinidad, eight. Joop Kruis, Holland, had bad luck against Taisto Mäki, Finland. Leading on points, the Dutchman injured his thumb and the towel fluttered in during frame three. Harry Piitulainen, Finland, decisioned Bernard Martin, France, eight.

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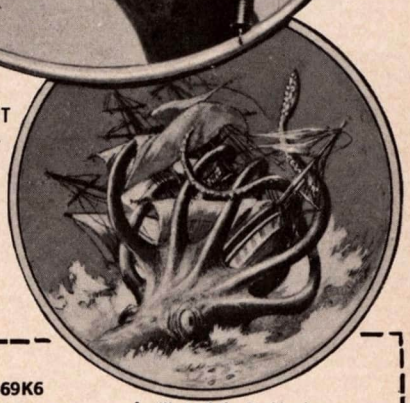

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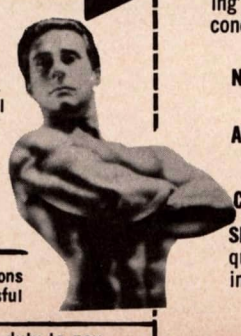

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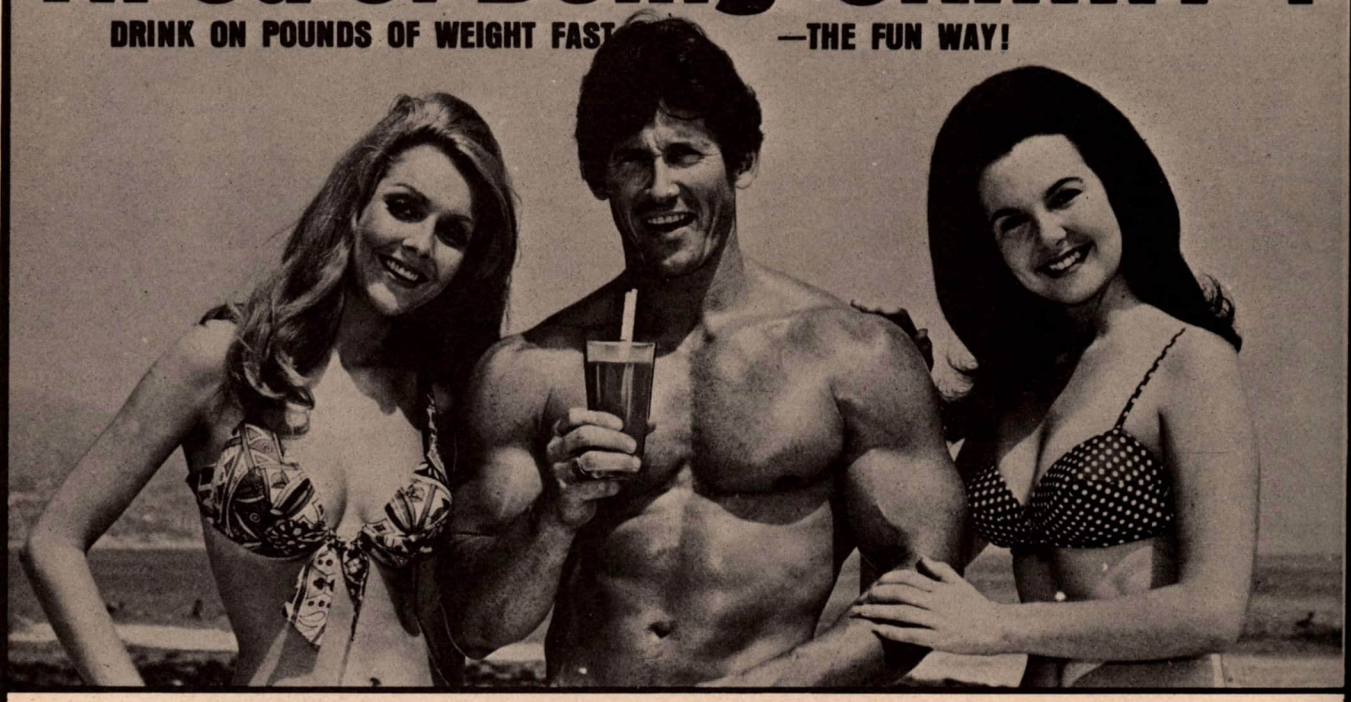

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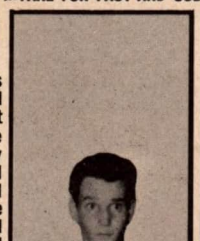

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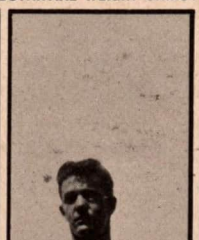

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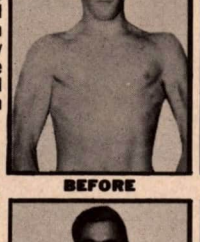

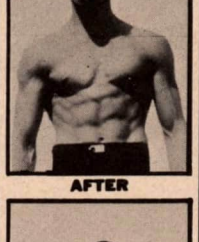

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I want to join the WEIGHT-GAINABLES. Enclosed find $..... for your **Crash Weight Formula #7 Plan** which I have checked below. I understand your Money Back Guarantee applies only if I order my Plan through this coupon!

Check one of the Plans below:

☐ 7-Day Supply of Crash Weight #7 Plan..$ 7.50
☐ 14-Day Supply of Crash Weight #7 Plan..$14.98
Check flavor desired: ☐ Chocolate ☐ Vanilla

NAME..... AGE....

ADDRESS .....

CITY..... STATE..... ZIP.....

Canadian orders filled in Canada—no duty to pay.

JOIN THE WEIGHT GAINABLES! DRINK ON NEW POUNDS—FAST! SAFELY!

SERVICEMEN: TO SPEED YOUR ORDER, U. S. Regulations require that shipments to servicemen be prepaid — Please add indicated amount as required by your APO or FPO address.

APO or FPO	N.Y. or S.F.
CRASH-WEIGHT (7-Day	.80 $1.75
CRASH-WEIGHT (14-Day)	1.10 2.75